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Four-Power Pact To Safeguard Europe

Bevin's Statement In Commons Refers To 'Terrific Difficulties'

LONDON, February 27. (Reuter): The conclusion of a four-Power pact between the United States, the Soviet Union, France and Britain for the purpose of preventing a recurrence of aggression in Europe will be on the agenda of the forthcoming meeting of the Council of Foreign Ministers in Moscow, the British Foreign Secretary, Mr. Bevin, told the House of Commons today.

Speaking at the opening of the debate on Foreign Affairs, Mr. Bevin said he did not suggest that as the object of the policy. "If we are to continue in Germany and have sufficient time to re-educate her on a democratic basis, we must try to get agreement between the four Great Powers," Mr. Bevin declared. There is no other way, he said.

"TERRIFIC DIFFICULTIES"

"I hope the country will not expect too much from us at Moscow," Mr. Bevin declared. "We have terrific difficulties to face."

Clearing up of the treaties with Austria and the Axis satellites in Europe would leave the principal task to be grappled with that of Germany and Japan. "We cannot afford to have 66 million people forming a depressed area in the centre of Europe. On the other hand, we have got to provide for the Security of Europe.

British relations with the United States are of a most cordial character and the British Government will not allow any wedge to be driven between the two countries.

Declaring that they had got to provide for the security of Europe, Mr. Bevin said: "I am not sure yet, even after two wars and two defeats whether the Germans recognise the effects of the defeats and the stupidity of war." Mr. Bevin said he was obsessed by this danger of the major powers continuing their differences and as a result of those differences leading to a resurgence of Germany. "That is why I will not take any notice of what is said about our weakness. We see a good deal going on in Germany even now which makes us exercise particular care to prevent a resurgence of Nazism. Evidence of this was produced during the past week."

It was important to get agreements between the four Great Powers about Germany's economic basis. To establish a decent way of life, to attempt to build up a democratic way of Germany, and to make sure that the security of Europe was not endangered, was the object of the British Government. It had approached this problem on the basis of a Federal Germany.

DECENTRALISE GERMANY

Government had taken the view that probably the best way to get a democratic Germany was to decentralise Germany with powers in the Provinces and only certain powers delegated to the Central Government which could be worked out. There were others who thought that a highly centralised Germany could be better controlled and less dangerous. He had profound doubts about this. There was patriotism in their provinces traditional in Germany and there had always been resistance to a centralised Germany. They had always been in favour of a united Germany for certain forms of Government and one could understand that.

It would all have to be worked out in Moscow and he could only hope that there would be good feeling and understanding in trying to find the right solution.

India Debate In Commons On Wednesday

LONDON, Feb. 27. (Reuter): India is to be debated in the House of Commons, next Wednesday and Thursday. It will be on a motion inviting the House to approve Government's policy.

The announcement was made by the acting Leader of the House, Mr. Arthur Greenwood.

Bombay Govt. Prepares To Meet Subversive Activity

Bill To Penalise Use Or Preaching Of Violence

Measure To Be On Statute Book During Unsettled Period Only

BOMBAY, Thursday.

The Government of Bombay has published today a Bill entitled "The Bombay Public Security Measures Bill, 1947", which it is proposed to bring before the current session of the Legislature.

Object Of Bill

The main consideration which has prompted the Government to introduce this Bill is the necessity of providing special measures to deal with subversive activities which involve the use or preaching of violence, in the unsettled period which may be anticipated before political conditions are finally stabilised in fulfilment of the recent declaration of policy of the British Government, writes the Director of Publicity, Government of Bombay.

Many of the provisions of the Bill exist in the two Ordinances passed by this Government when the Legislature was not in session. These two Ordinances, the Security Measures Ordinance and the Criminal Law (Bombay Amendment) Ordinance, were passed to deal with communal trouble. In recent months, other forms of violent movements have also started in this Province. The probability is that, unless stringent action is taken by the Government, the propagation and practice of violence for the attainment of political and economic ends will increase. The new measure, therefore, replaces the two Ordinances which, according to the Constitution, expire six weeks after the meeting of the Legislature, and now takes comprehensive powers for the Government to deal with any form of subversive activity.

SUBVERSIVE ACTIVITIES

It may not be out of place here to outline briefly the activities of subversive and anti-social elements in this Province during the second half of last year.

Communal disturbances broke out in Ahmedabad in July last, followed by violence on the part of workers in Amalner in August. Bombay City witnessed the outbreak of serious communal riots in September, as also did Sangamner and Nasik on a lesser scale; and there was a recrudescence of stabbings and acid throwing in Ahmedabad the same month; October and November saw communal clashes in the Kolaba District, while the poor, illiterate people in certain parts of Thana District were incited to violence in November and December.

GOVT.'S ASSURANCE

The Bill is very similar to Ordinances and Acts which have been passed in Madras, Bengal, the Punjab and the Central Provinces. The Government has lately been blamed in certain quarters for taking slow action to assume wide enough powers to deal with the menace of communal riots. The Government, therefore, in view of the troubled times which probably lie ahead, feels it necessary to take very wide powers to deal with all dangers to the public peace which may arise. It is not the intention, if the Bill is passed into law, that it should come into force automatically over the whole Province. It is proposed that particular provisions should apply by notification of the Government in particular areas of the Province only when they are required.

The Government wishes to give an assurance that it intends to use the special powers sought to be obtained under this Bill, if it is passed into law only against those who indulge in or incite to violence.

Nor is it the intention of the Government to retain this measure on the Statute Book longer than is necessary, which is not likely to be more than two or three years.

In these circumstances, the Government feels confident that all law-abiding sections of the population of the Bombay Province who desire an orderly evolution to Freedom, will wholeheartedly support the Government in taking adequate measures to ensure peaceful conditions for the Province in the fateful months that lie ahead.

National Language In Central Assembly

Mavlankar's Liberal Interpretation

NEW DELHI, Feb. 27 (API).—President Mavlankar ruled in the Central Assembly today that a member could speak in his own national language irrespective of whether he was acquainted with English, which, under the rules, is the official language of debate.

Mr. Mavlankar suggested that this rule would have to be liberally interpreted in the present state of transition.

He recalled that earlier in the session, the Government and a large majority of members seemed to agree that the time had come to change this rule and he mentioned that although statutorily any amendment of the Rules of Procedure could only be made with the approval of the Secretary of State, such approval would not ordinarily be withheld in a matter which had the support of a large majority of members.

PLEA FOR CO-OPERATION

Mr. Mavlankar invited the co-operation of all members in the changeover to our national language.

The occasion for this ruling was provided by a point of order raised by Sir Cowasji Jehangir, while Lala Deshbandhu Gupta, Member for Delhi, was speaking in Hindustani on the House Rent Bill. Sir Cowasji said that Lala Deshbandhu could speak English fluently and asked whether such a member could use an Indian language, "which is not intelligible to a large number of Indian members of this House."

Mr. Mavlankar referred to the fact that the present Rule was made in 1921 and it was generally agreed that a relaxation of it was called for "if not for other things, at least because national self-respect demands that the proceedings of the House should be conducted in a language which is Indian."

At the same time, he added, it was not forgotten that this was a multilingual House. Government, with the approval of a substantially large portion of the House, had said that they would consider amendment of the Rule. At that time he was under the impression that the House had certain limitation on account of the Statute under which the Rule was framed.

Under the Government of India Act of 1935, there was a Section which prescribed that the language of the Legislature should be English, provided that if a Member was not sufficiently acquainted with it, he might address the Legislature in the Indian language that he knew. But, under the Act of 1919 there was no such legislative provision. Therefore, the statutory difficulty which was felt in the Provinces about making any rule inconsistent with the Statute did not arise in the present case.

His view, therefore, was that if for other considerations, members wished to resort to any other language and if it was competent for the House to change that particular Rule, there was no reason why that Rule should not be liberally interpreted by him in the spirit in which the House would like him to interpret it instead of waiting till the Rule was formally amended.

NO NEED TO WAIT FOR FORMAL AMENDMENT

An objection was likely to be raised here that these were rules to be made by the Governor-General in Council with the sanction of the Secretary of State. Therefore, it might have been an overstatement to say that the House was competent to change the rule. But, the practice had been that the Secretary of State always accepted the recommendations of the House for amendment of rules.

In substance, therefore, it came within the powers of the House to amend the Rules. It was in these circumstances that he thought he should not wait for a formal amendment.

In liberally interpreting this Rule, what was the meaning of the words acquainted with the English language? He would leave to each member to judge for himself whether he was acquainted or unacquainted with the English language when he wished to speak in the House in any Indian language.

USE SIMPLE LANGUAGE

As regards the difficulties in connection with the desire to have a common Indian language for all, he said the very desire of a Member that his points should be understood by all members would be an incentive to him to use such a simple language as could be understood by the whole House as far as possible. As for others who did not know Hindi or Urdu or Hindustani, he thought they were all agreed on the desirability of having a common national language and this would also give them an opportunity to pick up the language slowly. "But, I would earnestly appeal to members who wish to speak in Indian languages that they should speak in a language which should as far as possible be understood by all sections who are not so very conversant either with Persianised Urdu or Sanskritised Hindi and if they resort to such a simple language as that, I think it will not be objected to by the other honourable members."

Sir Cowasji Jehangir: Am I entitled to speak in Gujerathi and can my friend Mr. Gadgil speak in Marathi?

President: If the Honourable Member so wishes I shall permit him, but I wish to point out that these are all theoretical questions and if the question of a common language is to be seriously considered as a matter of national self-respect, objections of this type which are more theoretical and more by way of exceptions should really not be raised. The raising of such objections brings down to a state of ridicule the desire to establish national self-respect by resorting to an Indian language.

Mr. Mavlankar's ruling was repeatedly cheered.

NO CHANGE IN PRINCES' ATTITUDE

NEW DELHI, Feb. 27 (API): Preliminary discussions held to-day indicate that the Princes Chamber will not regard the British Government's statement of February 20 as an occasion for any immediate change in their declared attitude to the All-India constitutional problem. A recommendation to stand by earlier declarations in support of the Cabinet Mission's plan and assist in an All-India settlement is believed to have been made by the Committee of Ministers which met this morning to examine the British Government's statement and prepare the ground for the Standing Committee of Princes which will meet to-morrow and for the States Negotiating Committee which is due to meet the corresponding British Indian Committee on March 1.

The main points emerging from to-day's meeting are understood to be as follows:—

The Committee note H.M.G.'s view that the Constituent Assembly as at present constituted is not fully representative and is not functioning as it was intended under the Cabinet Mission's plan and that it will not be possible for H.M.G. to recommend to Parliament a constitution worked out by such an assembly.

FULLEST CO-OPERATION

The Committee are of the opinion that the States should adhere to there declared attitude of the fullest possible co-operation with the Cabinet Mission's plan as laid down in the resolution passed by the general conference of Rulers and representatives of States on January 29.

The Committee recommend that the position of the States resulting from the new situation created by the Prime Minister's statement may be explained to the Committee set up by the Constituent Assembly when it meets the States Negotiating Committee on March 1.

They also recommend that the Chancellor and the Standing Committee be requested (a) to appeal to all parties concerned to come together with a view to reaching an agreed settlement and to render every possible assistance to that end, and (b) to take immediate steps to secure requisite authority for the States Negotiating Committee to carry on negotiations even on an informal basis in the meantime in regard to the position of the States under the new situation created by the Prime Minister's statement, provided that such negotiations will be conducted (1) in accordance with the instructions of the States Constitutional Advisory Committee as endorsed by the Standing Committee of Princes and the Committee of Ministers and (2) in a manner that the states do not become partisans in any controversy unrelated to the states; and that the results of these negotiations will be subject to the approval of the States Committee and ratification by the States.

SWISS FOREIGN MINISTER RECEIVES MENON

BERNE, February 27. (Reuter): Mr. V. K. Krishna Menon, Special Indian representative in Europe, was today received here by the Swiss Foreign Minister, M. Max Petitpierre, to whom he handed a personal letter from Pandit Nehru, Vice-president of the Indian Interim Government.

NO MORE NEED FOR PROTECTION

Tariff Board's Tip To Govt. On Textiles, Steel And Paper

(SPECIAL TO "CHRONICLE")

BOMBAY, Thursday.—Discontinuance of protection to the textile, steel and paper industries has been recommended by the Tariff Board to the Government of India in a communication this week, it is reliably learnt. In the case of sugar industry, continuance of protection for one more year has been advised.

The Tariff Board is credited with the view that the duties to be levied by the Government of India on imported steel, textiles and paper for revenue purposes would be high enough to restrict foreign competition.

LEAGUE VICTORY DAY

LAHORE, Feb. 27 (API).—The Muslim League "Victory Day" will be celebrated throughout the Punjab on Sunday, March 2.

The Khan of Mamdot, President of the Punjab Muslim League has sent instructions to the League Committees in the province to celebrate the day by holding mass public meetings and by illuminating Muslim buildings.

LATEST COMMERCIAL NEWS

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NEW YORK, Feb. 27.

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NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE
NEW YORK, Feb. 27.

Stock Exchange Opening prices.
Anaconda Copper Mining 40-1/8
General Motors 60-1/2
United States Steel Common 74
United States Steel preference 146-3/4

Latest Bazar Quotations

BOMBAY, Feb. 27.
9 P.M.

Cotton May	447	12
Silver Chamber	145	4
Silver Bullion	158	4
Silver Fagan	151	6
Gold Bullion	102	0
Gold Fagan	94	8

POLICE FIRING IN AMBALA

Two Boys And One Woman Killed

LAHORE, Feb. 27 (API).—Two boys and one woman were killed as a result of police firing on Muslim League demonstrators in Ambala on Tuesday, according to information received here. One of the boys is reported to be a Hindu.

It is reported that a large procession of men and women marched out in defiance of Public Safety Ordinance. After they had covered two-third of the city the processionists were stopped as usual and ordered to disperse. On their failure to comply with the order they were lathi-charged. The crowd retaliated with barages of stones, brickbats, latnis resulting in injuries to 19 policemen. The Additional District Magistrate then ordered the police to open fire. Eighteen rounds were fired resulting in one boy being killed on the spot. Two boys and one woman were removed to hospital with serious bullet wounds. The woman later died in hospital and the boy succumbed to his injuries today bringing the total number of deaths to three.

The other boy is stated to be progressing satisfactorily.

KHAKSARS ARRESTED

LAHORE, Feb. 27 (API).—Six Khaksars were arrested in Lahore last night under the Punjab Public Safety Ordinance. They were alleged to have been carrying "belchax" with them and were marching in formation.

STOP PRESS

ISLANDERS REVOLT AGAINST DUTCH REGIME

LONDON, Feb. 27 (APA): A Tass message from the Hague stated today that an Agency had reported from Batavia that the population of the Halmahera islands had revolted against the Dutch regime. Several thousands of the islanders have attacked Dutch garrisons and seized power, stated the message, quoted by Moscow radio. The broadcast added that the Dutch were dispatching troops and warships to suppress the uprising.

4 MADRAS MINISTERS RESIGN?

MADRAS, Feb. 27 The Associated Press of India reliably understands that four Ministers of Tamil Nad have submitted their resignations tonight to Mr. T. Prakasam, the Prime Minister.

The four Ministers are:—Mr. M. Bhaktavatsalam, Mr. T. S. Avanasilingam Chettiar, Mr. Daniel Thomas and Mr. P. S. Kumaraswami Raja.

The resignations are due to their differences with Mr. Prakasam on his approach to the no-confidence motion tabled for discussion at the party meeting tomorrow

LEGISLATURE PARTY TO MEET

A tense atmosphere prevails in Congress circles in Madras on the eve of the Congress Legislature Party meeting convened for tomorrow to consider the 'no confidence' motion in Mr. Prakasam's leadership of the party.

Most of the Congress legislators have arrived in the city today from the districts and brisk canvassing is being carried on both sides.

114 out of a total of 196 members of the party have, as already reported, signed a draft resolution expressing want of confidence in Mr. Prakasam as leader and the same has been forwarded to the Congress President.

Since then the Executive of the Andhra Provincial Congress Committee has taken a firm stand in support of Mr. Prakasam's leadership and issued a directive today to all the Andhra legislators to oppose the 'no-confidence motion at the party meeting tomorrow.

This together with Mr. Prakasam's tour of the Telugu districts last week should have, it is claimed on behalf of the leader, caused many defections in the Andhra signatories to the "no-confidence" motion.

On the other hand the sponsors of the "no-confidence" move are stated to have secured more members to their side. 114 signatories, it is stated, consisted of 67 from Tamilnad, 37 from Andhra, six from Kerala and four from Karnataka.

In view of the fact that the issue concerns Mr. Prakasam personally, it is held in certain quarters as probable that Mr. Shanker Rao Deo would be requested by the party to conduct the proceedings at tomorrow's meeting.

SHANKARRAO DEO'S BUSY-DAY IN MADRAS

MADRAS, Feb. 27 (API.) Mr. Shankarrao Deo, General Secretary of the Congress, has been busy since his arrival here last evening, meeting local Congress leaders.

Mr. Prakasam, the Premier, drove to the Hindi Prachar Sabha, where Mr. Deo is staying, last night and had a discussion with the Congress General Secretary for over an hour. Prof. N. G. Ranga and Mr. Kamaraja Nadar, presidents of the Andhra and Tamilnad Congress Committees, also held discussions with Mr. Deo last night and today. Some prominent members of the Congress party from Andhra, Tamilnad and Kerala who have arrived here in connection with the party meeting tomorrow also met Mr. Deo today.

Mr. Shankar Rao Deo told the waiting pressmen that he had nothing to say about his talks with the local Congress leaders and that he was merely acquainting himself with the Congress Legislature Party affairs in the province.

RATIONALISING MILL CLOTH PRODUCTION

Schemes To Be Submitted To "Ad Hoc" Committee

NEW DELHI, February 27. (A.P.I.): The Government of India have decided that schemes proposed for rationalising production of mill cloth should be referred to the 'ad hoc' Departmental Committee which is being constituted to advise Government on the steps to be taken to increase the production of yarn and cloth and to settle a basis on which the commodity prices board could recommend rationalised and economic prices, says a press note.

The Committee will consist of Mr. Dharam Vira, Textile Commissioner to the Government of India, Mr. G. R. Kamat, Joint Financial Adviser (Supply), Bombay, and Mr. T. Sivasankar, Secretary, Development Department, Government of Madras.

Amongst the various reasons for the present shortage of cloth are the recent increase in the cost of raw material of coarse cloth and the increasing margin of profit as production goes finer.

The desirability of working three shifts wherever possible has already been impressed on the mill industry by the Government of India.

The Government are also considering the possibility of increasing the hours of work where only two shifts are possible by either increasing the working day or by "staggering" the hours of work so as to keep the machines going during the midday interval. These measures are expected to increase production.

IN SIND ASSEMBLY

Congress Party Walks Out

Premier Retorting Says 'Don't Come Back'!— Sind University Bill Passes Into Law After 5-Day Animated Debate

KARACHI, Feb. 27 (API): The Congress Party in the Sind Assembly staged a walk-out when the House after five days' animated debate on the Sind University Bill passed its third reading, this evening.

Before they walked out of the House, the leader of the Congress Party, Prof. Ghanshyam Shivdasani made the following statement:—

"It is clear from the proceedings of this Assembly and the speeches made by the Hon. the Premier and some other Hon. Ministers, in regard to this Bill, that the Muslim League Party in power is determined on the strength of the feelings and interests of the minority community, which has the largest stake at present in the higher education in the province, as most of the colleges and high schools have been founded and maintained by their munificence and spirit of industry and sacrifice. Not only were all the amendments of the opposition to the main clauses of the Bill turned down, but its provisions have been made more rigid by fresh amendments from Government benches. In view of the unreasonable and high-handed attitude of the party in power, members of my party are walking out in protest."

The Premier retorted "don't come back."

The House then referred the Sind Sales Tax Bill to a Select Committee.

AFFILIATION QUESTION

Earlier the House hotly debated the Government Amendment making it compulsory for educational institutions in the province to be affiliated with the Sind University and not with any other University outside Sind. Pir Illahibux, Minister for Education, said that the Government had no intention to bring the amendment but there was a move on the part of the Hindu opposition to break the proposed Sind University.

Prof. Ghansham, Prof. N. R. Malkani and Mr. Nichaldas Vazirani vehemently opposed the amendment, and raised a number of points of order contending that the amendment was out of the scope and principle of the Bill.

The Government amendment was carried and the Bill was passed into law.

The House adjourned till to-morrow.

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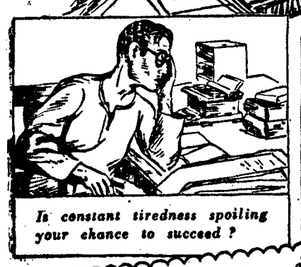

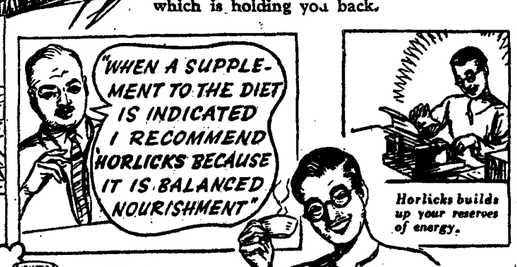
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LEADERS NOT GOING TO NOAKHALI

Congress Working Committee Meeting On March 5

NEW DELHI, Feb. 27 (U.P.I.): The most important item before the Congress Working Committee which is commencing its meetings from March 5 is Premier Attlee's statement on India. The statement with all its implications will, it is understood, be considered in the light of the debates in Parliament in view of the fact that the picture of future transfer of power as drawn in the statement appears to be confused.

The Congress circles feel that the opinion of Mahatma Gandhi on the issues arising out of H.M.G.'s statement will be helpful to the Congress Working Committee in deciding its final attitude. But there is no likelihood, it is gathered, of the members of the Congress High Command going to Noakhali to meet Gandhiji as is being suggested in a section of Congressmen. Indeed due to the pressure of work, particularly on account of the Budget Session of the Central Assembly top-ranking Congress leaders cannot afford to leave Delhi at present. Gandhiji's views, however, will be made availabe to the High Command.

The Congress High Command has already had the benefit of views of the Congress chiefs of the various Provinces on the White Paper and it is believed they will be given due weight in shaping the Working Committee's decision.

According to indication available at present, the ensuing session of the Working Committee is likey to be a prolonged one. The Committee, it is understood, will adopt a lengthy resolution explaining the Congress stand on the White Paper and urging the people to realise the significance of the new situation and the challenge made by the British Government to Indian leadership. It is considered possible in political circles that the Congress Working Committee in its resolution may endorse the invitation extended by Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru to all those who have not so far joined the Constituent Assembly to participate in the great task of framing a constitution for free India.

PARTIES IN CONGRESS

Miss Mridula Sarabhai's Opposition To Ban

(From Our Special Correspondent.)

ALLAHABAD, Feb. 26.

An important decision recommending to the Working Committee to ban all organized groups within the framework of the Congress was taken by the P.C.C. Chiefs' Conference. The resolution says that the "ideological views" can be tolerated but ideological parties which work as separate units, raise their own funds and have a separate forum of their own cannot be tolerated.

The lion's share of conference was taken by this resolution as about ten hours were spent on this resolution. The Leftists say that from the manner which this resolution handled, the eagerness shown by some groups and special attention paid only to this items it appears that the Conference was called mainly for this purpose.

The question was referred to a sub-committee which met in the morning of February 25 and favoured the resolution. It is understood Miss Mridula Sarabhai and Mr. Surendranath Dviwedi opposed it.

In the afternoon of the same day, Mr. Jugalkisnore, Secretary, A.I.C.C., moved it. Mr. S. K. Patil and many other supported it. Their main contention was that the organized groups in the Congress were a source of weakness of the Congress divide the loyalty of Congressmen and launch their own programme.

Spirited opposition was voiced by Miss Mridula Sarabhai. She, it is understood, said that not the organized groups but the vested interest and the corruption creeping in the ranks were weakening the Congress. She asked the delegates to allow youngmen to come and work with them. The ban on the organized groups in the Congress would weaken the Congress organization.

Mr. Surendranath Dviwedi official member of C.S.P. representing Utkal at the conference, said that as long as the Congress did not adopt purely Gandhian programme such ban on organized groups were wrong. All groups had a right to exist in the Congress. Without deciding the future form of the society, to taboo the expression of the ideological views through ideological organized parties within Congress would weaken the Congress Organization.

Mr. Govardhan Vazirani of Sind, it is stated also opposed it. He said that Jaiprakash Narain and Mrs. Asafali were the idols of nations. The resolution would endanger the growth of the free expression of will in the Congress.

A strong opposition to the organized group in rank of Congress was voiced by the Bihar P.C.C.

The resolution was carried by 27 to 5.

Invitation Hockey

Brothers' Club In Final

BOMBAY, Thursday.

Brothers Club Lahore	2
Bangalore Blues	0

In the match between Brothers Club of Lahore and Bangalore Blues, in the semi-final of the Invitation Hockey Tournament, the former won by two goals to nill and thus qualified for the final where they will meet the winners of the match between Kalyanmal Mills S. C. and Delhi Independents S. C.

The match provided little hockey of any distinction. The winners dominated the exchanges for the greater part of the match, it is true, but there was hardly any opposition. The Bangalore team's front line never functioned like a sound combination and understanding was generally at a par. The wingers had harly any chances at all and the inner trio did most of the playing.

The only player to stand out from their side was left-back Archer who split up many dangerous moves.

Not much can be said for the winners as well. Both their goals were scored by centre-forward Mahmood during the second half. But the two players who impressed most were right-half Hamseed Ullah and right-back Trilochan Singh. Both these players dealt effectively with what little they encountered in the nature of an attack.

The Teams:

Brothers Club, Lahore:— Anwar; Trilochan Singh and Trilok; Hameed Ullah, Keshav and Haq; Sardar Singh, Nandi, Mahmood, Indu Rai and Ved Prakash.

Bangalore Blues:— Rejasaker; MacBride and Archer; Devaney, Parthasarathy and Parsuram; Adam Salt, Frank, Coyne, Raju and Poosamany.

Today (Friday) at 5-30 p. m.: Kalyanmal Mills vs. Delhi Independents (Replay).

BOMBAY PRESIDENCY TEACHERS ASSOCIATION

Executive Committee Calls Urgent Meeting

POONA, Feb. 26 (A.P.I.): An urgent meeting of the Executive Committee and the Action Committee of the Bombay Presidency Primary Teachers Association will be held on Sunday, March 11 to consider some important developments regarding the issues arising out of the resolution passed by the joint meeting of the Executive Committee and Action Committee of the Association at Nadiad, announces Mr. S. D. Mule, General Secretary of the Association.

NON-PAYMENT OF SALARIES

NEW DELHI, Feb. 26 (A.P.I.): An emergent meeting of the Council of Action of the Delhi Provincial Teachers Association has been called on Friday to consider the situation arising out of the non-payment of salaries for the strike period to some 738 Municipal teachers and teachers of the Lady Irwin High School.

A teachers deputation is meeting the Superintendent of Education tomorrow.

A spokesman of the teachers said today that if no immediate action was taken in this connection the teachers would have to consider the whole matter anew.

IMPORTANT DECISIONS

TRIVANDRUM, Feb. 26 (A.P.I.): Important decisions affecting the pay and prospects of teachers in private colleges in the State, were taken at a meeting of the new Senate of Travancore University, the fourth since the inception of the University, held today under the presidency of Mr. H. C. Papworth Pro-Vice-Chancellor.

Madras Kisan Leaders Arrested

MADURA, Feb. 26 (A.P.I.): Mr. K. Muthuswamy Villatharasu, a member of the All-India Congress Committee and President of the Ramnad District Kisan Congress, was arrested yesterday at Devakottah by the Ramnad police under the Madras Public Safety Ordinance.

Two other Congressmen connected with Kisan activities in Ramnad district have also been arrested. They are Mr. K. V. Sethuramachandran, member of the Tamilnad Provincial Congress Committee, and Mr. K. Raman, Secretary of the Ramnad District Kisan Congress.

SHANKERRAO DEO IN MADRAS

MADRAS, Feb. 27 (U.P.I.): Mr. Sankarrao Deo, General Secretary of the Congress, who arrived here yesterday to study the ministerial situation and to attend the meeting of the Madras Congress Legislature Party tomorrow to discuss the no-confidence motion against Mr. T. Prakasam, Premier, is scheduled to leave for Delhi on March 1

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Today's Engagements

BOMBAY YOUNG WOMEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION: Annual public meeting to-day at 6-15 p.m.

UNITED LODGE OF THEOSOPHISTS: Discussion on "Vitamins and Sulfa Drugs" to-day at 6-15 p.m. at Jehangir Wadia Building, opposite Flora Fountain.

THE YOUTH LODGE: Lecture on "Wartime Literature" at 6 p.m. to-day at Blavatsky Lodge.

ASSOCIATED CEMENT COMPANIES, LTD. SPORTS CLUB: Fourth Annual Sports and Prize Distribution Gathering to-day on the W.I.F.A. Grounds, Cooperage at 2-30 p.m.

GRANT MEDICAL COLLEGE: Annual Social Gathering and Farewell Reception to Dr. B. M. Desai, to-day at 6-30 p.m. at the David Sassoon Lawn, J. J. Hospital.

DAWOOD HAJEE NASSER'S TEA-PARTY: To Mr. Dawood H. Nasser, President, Oil Merchants' Chamber, to-day, 5 p.m. at Belvedere, 79 Warden Road.

BOMBAY STOCK EXCHANGE: The Secy. of Bombay Stock Exchange writes: There will be two trading sessions on Friday (to-day). The Morning Session from 12 noon to 1 p.m. and the Special Budget Session from 6 to 8 p.m.

B.P.W.C. SALE OF WORK

The Home Industries Depot is having its annual exhibition and sale of wohk at the University Convocation Hall. The exhibition was opened by Lady Colville on Wednesday and will remain open to the general public till March 3, every day, including Sunday, from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.

RAMAKRISHNA PARAMAHAMSA BIRTHDAY ANNIVERSARY

The 112th Birthday Anniversary of Sri Ramakrishna Paramahamsa will be celebrated today at a public meeting to be held at 6 p.m. at the Sir Cowasjee Jahangir Hall, Fort. Mr. B. G. Kher, Prime Minister, presiding.

Speeches will be delivered by Mrs. Mitha J. Lam, Prof. Dr. H. L. De, Dr. Bool Chand, Swamy Sambuddhananda and others. There will be a musical entertainment by Mrs. Latika S. Nayampalli and Mrs. Frenny Cama and others. The president will distribute prizes and the function will come to a close with a song by Miss Latika S. Nayampalli.

The Birthday Anniversary will be celebrated on Sunday (March 2) at Sir Ramakrishna Ashram, Khar. There will be Usha Kirtan, Vedic Chants etc. (7 to 9 a.m.), Bhajan. (9 to 10 a.m.) distribution of cash or kind to Daridra Narayanas (10 to 12 noon) and musical entertainment (2-30 to 5 p.m.) A public meeting will be held at 5-30 p.m. when speeches on Sir Ramakrishna will be delivered by Mr. B. K. Patil, Dastur Hormazdyar Kaiyoji Mirza, Profs. S. D. Gyani, and V. N. Bhusan.

BENGAL CLUB ESSAY COMPETITION

The Literary Section of the Bengal Club has organised an Essay competition which will be open to all. The subject is a nation and its literature to be written in English. Prize worth Rs. 100 will be awarded for the best essay. Further particulars may be had from Sj. Amal Maity, Hony. Secretary, Literary Section, Bengal Club, Sri Krishna Nivas, Hospital Avenue. Parel, Bombay.

GODIWALA ARRESTED AND BAILED OUT

Mr. T. Godiwala, Advocate, Bombay High Court, was arrested this morning at his residence at Khar under an warrant issued by the First Class Magistrate, Umbergaon. The arrest was effected on charge of alleged breach of the externment order which was served on him by the District Magistrate, Thana.

It may be recalled that Mr. Godiwala was externed from the district of Thana while conducting some cases in defence of a number of Warlis in the Dahanu and Umbergaon Talukas some time ago. The order was subsequently modified, enabling him to attend his professional duties in the district. He is alleged to have broken the modified order.

He was released on security of Rs. 1000. His case will come up on March 6 before the Umbergaon Magistrate's Court.

TODAY ON RADIO

FRIDAY, March 28.

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244 m (1,231 kc/s) 7-30 a.m. Song of the Week Presented by D Amel 7.40 News (M) 7.50 News (G) 8.0 News (E) 8.15 News (H) 8.30 Ramkrishna Parwatkar Gat Tora on Tabla 8.45 Sheikhlal Qawwal and Party 9.0 Moghubai Kurdikar 9.30 Close down 12.0 p.m. Mahila Mandal (G) 12.45 News (M) 12.50 News (G) 12.55 Man Pasand Gane 1.25 News (H) 1.30 News (E) 1.40 Lunch-Hour Music 4.20 School Broadcast 5.0 Ramkrishna Parvatkar Gat Tora on Tabla 5.15 Jantar Mantar (H) 5.45 Topic of the Day 5.55 Locals 6.0 News (E) 6.10 News (H) 6.15 Pakke Gane 6.30 H V Kadluh 6.45 Sundra Bai 7.0 Sheikhlal Qawwal and Party 7.15 Ramkrishna Parvatkar Gat Tora on Tabla 7.30 Manikrao Thakurdas 8.0 News (M) 8.15 News (G) 8.30 Arthik Avalokan by U M Shah 8.45 Sher Khwani 9.0 News (E) 9.15 News (H) 9.30 B B C News 9.40 Programme Parade 9.45 Gliding Comes to India 10.0 Moghubai Kurdikar.

TEST MATCH COMMENTARY

The last Cricket Test Match between England and Australia will commence today. Commentaries from Radio Australia will be relayed by All India Radio, Bombay, on all days of the match according to the following schedule:—

12-30 to 12-45—244 and 31.15 Metres; 12-45 to 12-55—31.15 Metres; 12-55 to 1-25—244 and 31.15 Metres.

The summary at the end of the play will be recorded and broadcast at 2-00 p.m.

"INDIAN SHIPPING MUST BE IN HANDS OF INDIANS"

Dahyabhai Patel Stresses Duty Of National Govt. To Safeguard Industry's Interests

The flag-hoisting ceremony of S. S. "Jay Hind" of the New Dholera steamships Ltd. was conducted by Mr. Dahyabhai V. Patel on Sunday the Feb. 24 in the presence of a large gathering.

Welcoming the guests on behalf of the Managing Agents, Mr. Shoorji Vallabhdass traced the history of the Company from its inception in 1937, through the war years when the Company lost three of its ships due to enemy action. With the advent of the National Government, he said, there has confidence among the public that the Indian shipping will soon surmount all obstacles and could hope to have a legitimate share in the trade of the country. He was sorry to point out, however, that some shipping companies like the Conference Lines were trying to hold the monopoly of the trade by unfair means to the utter detriment of smaller companies and to Indian shipping in general. He was confident that the National Government will rectify such defects and protect the interest of Indian shipping, thus ensuring prosperity. He then requested Mr. Dahyabhai Patel to hoist the flag on the ship.

After hoisting the flag, Mr. Patel, in the course of his speech said:—

"I am very thankful to you for inviting me to hoist the National Flag on s.s. "Jay Hind". Seth Shoorji had approached Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel who had agreed at one time to perform the ceremony, but owing to the work of the Interim Government, could not do so, and I have at his instance agreed to perform this ceremony. Shoorji Seth's name is well-known for having undertaken business enterprises, which were likely to benefit national interest.

Indian Shipping must be in the hands of the Indians. In the past, the British Government attempted to crush the Indian Shipping. India needs a very big fleet today. India can only boast of a few Shipping Companies with few ships only. It is the duty of the National Government and Indian Shippers to send their cargo by Indian ships because the Indian shipping is the wealth of the Nation. Seth Shoorji has mentioned how the propaganda has been carried on by the Conference Lines. Now the Indian shipping must be for the Indians, and I hope that the Scindia Steam Navigation Co. Ltd. with the Conference Lines will soon remove the obstacles which have been put in the way of the new Companies, and in case Shoorji Seth does not succeed in getting these obstacles removed by negotiation, then the National Government will have to interfere to stop these state of affairs and prevent the small companies from being strangled.

All must unite to support and encourage Indian Companies, and should consider the Indian Companies as their own in the interest of the Country. I wish all success to The New Dholera Steamships, Ltd."

BOMBAY BUSINESSMEN TOUR U. S.

No Textile Machinery For India For Next 5 Years

NEW YORK, Feb. 27, (Reuter): Mr. Narain Ulal and Mr. Ratanshi Madhani, who are connected with the textile industry in Bombay, have left by air for London after a two months' visit to the United States where they have been studying the latest developments in textile machinery and manufacture.

Mr. Ulal said "We did not make any machinery purchases because manufacturers here said that they could not give us any for five years. Equipment here is very much advanced compared with English machinery which we are now using. It is much more automatic."

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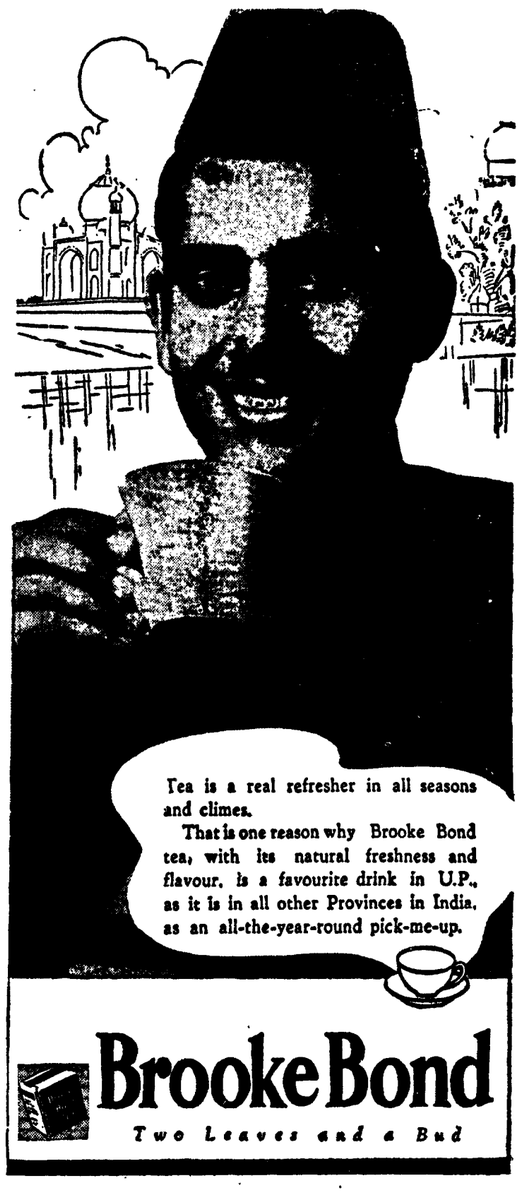

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ALL-INDIA WEATHER

POONA, Feb. 27, (A.P.I.):

Following is weather chart showing maximum and minimum temperatures and rainfall in inches during the past 24 hours, from November 1, 1946 and departure from normal recorded at 08-00 hours I.S.T. on February 27, 1947.

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WEATHER SUMMARY

Following is weather summary for Thursday February 27, 1947:—

The Bay depression have weakened further and has moved away north-eastwards. Yesterday's western disturbance is moving across the North Punjab. Rain occurred locally in Baluchistan and at a few stations in North-West Frontier Province and Malabar. Night temperatures have been appreciably below normal from Orissa and Bengal to Sind and Rajputana.

FORECAST UNTIL THE 28TH EVENING: Rainfall will be local in South-East Madras, Malabar, the North-West Frontier Province and Kashmir. A few thundershowers will also occur in Baluchistan, the Punjab, the hills of the West United Provinces, in South Rajputana and in and near the South Bombay Deccan.

Weather News For Farmers

FORECAST TILL SATURDAY MORNING: Dry weather.

OUTLOOK FOR FURTHER 2 DAYS: No appreciable change in weather.

A THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

To talk the right and live the wrong is foolish deceit, doing one's self the most harm.

—Mary Baker Eddy.

The Bombay Chronicle

LORDS' DEBATE

Lord Templewood was wise in withdrawing his motion on India in the House of Lords. The House was evidently reluctant to press the debate to a division. Even if the motion was carried it could not have appreciably affected the Government or its policy. It would only have vindicated the tradition of the House as the very embodiment of the spirit of Lord North which led to the war of American independence. If the House ventures to oppose the necessary legislation transferring power to India, it may hasten the end of an obsolete body but it will not in the least delay Indian independence. However, the debate was not entirely useless. It compelled the Government to clarify a few points about the proposed method of transfer and to promise further clarification in the forthcoming debate in the Commons. We have ourselves pointed out before several indefinite or ambiguous parts in Mr. Attlee's statement needing early clarification. Some of these parts might well have been made clear enough at the very outset, though indefiniteness with regard to some other points was inevitable. But we must sympathise with a Government that has been confronted simultaneously with a number of grave and complicated problems the precise solution of which must necessarily depend upon varying circumstances. Replying to a question by Lord Templewood about Government's intentions as to what Parliament would do when the time came for legislation to carry out the changes contemplated, Lord Pethick-Lawrence said: "I want to see first what is going to be the result in India of this statement. I want to see how far it achieves the purpose for which it has been put out. If it does not achieve its purpose we shall have to take another course of action." We assume that the possible change in the method of transfer is not going to affect the final date of transfer. As regards the method, it will naturally be determined more by the measure of agreement in India and the capacity of the country to enforce its demands than by the sweet pleasure of the British Government.

Despite this uncertain attitude towards the nature of transfer some of details casually suggested about alternative methods are more or less illuminating. One such suggestion was made by Lord Pethick-Lawrence who said: "With the date announced there will be ample time for the main decisions and agreements to be reached between the Indian parties if they are willing to arrive at an agreement and for a great deal of details to be filled in. If the task is not fully accomplished it will be possible for Britain to hand over power to a provisional Government which can accomplish the remaining part of the task." This is a fair alternative, assuming that the Provincial Government will be sufficiently homogeneous. With regard to the possibility of Pakistan being one of the alternatives the India Secretary is reported to have said: "So far as I know, the Muslim League have not expressed any opinion, but I shall be surprised, if, when they read the terms of the statement carefully and with due consideration, they will think it is so likely to produce Pakistan." (Apparently as likely as Viscount Templewood had suggested). The reference is not quite clear and fresh clarification may not be long in being demanded. Most interesting was Lord Listowell's suggestion on behalf of Government that what is proposed is not a military but a political operation. But when specifically asked if the army was going to stay, Lord Listowell only replied that such questions could be answered on Wednesday. As it is a very important point we must wait till it is clarified. Speaking generally Lord Halifax, who made a very conciliatory speech, said: "I do not think that this picture need be a vain and empty hope. The Government have made it abundantly plain that it is prepared to go to the extreme limit in order to leave India a clear field for the evolution of her future. May we not also claim as the White Paper suggests in its conclusion, that any assistance that India may request and that it may be in our power to give will be fully and freely given. There are many in India in every political camp who realise the sovereign need of strengthening India's resources and who, once the suspicion of the old order is removed will be willing to accept a great deal by way of help and general influence that they would never have accepted in the shape and under the guise of controlling power." A great deal of genuine co-operation is possible and desirable when both the countries are free. But neither will relish control even if it is called general influence.

Much of the debate in the Lords turned on the question whether the fixing of a date for Britain's withdrawal would help or hinder the prospects of a settlement in India. Many speakers of the Opposition thought, perhaps wishfully, that the plan would only put a premium on discord—or did they fear a settlement? But Lord Listowell made out a good point when he said that, while everyone hoped that the Muslim League as well as the Congress would eventually take active part in the working of the Constituent Assembly, to say, as some of the Opposition did, that the Government should wait until the Muslim League entered the Constituent Assembly was, in the Government's view, putting the cart before the horse. He added: "So long as any party believe that it can rely on British protection, it can surely with comparative safety refuse to compromise with its adversaries and may secretly hope in the long run to obtain British support, or its extreme claims. To say that after the year 1948 our authority can no longer be enforced means that the parties will be obliged to settle their differences and the whole responsibility will be thrown on their shoulders and an opportunity will be given for the exercise of that statesmanship which we have all assumed to be possessed by leaders of Indian opinion." Let us hope that now at least the League will respond to Pandit Nehru's appeal for fresh negotiations and that all the parties concerned will display the statesmanship that will ensure speedy independence for a united India.

Film And Radio

As outlined by Maulana Abul Kalam Azad, Member for Education and Arts, at a press conference last week, the Central Government's educational programme includes, among other subjects, the use of broadcasting and the film for the purposes of mass-education. Although educational potentialities of the film and the radio are universally acknowledged, no serious endeavour has hitherto been made in this country to exploit them. Now we are delighted to note that both film and radio, under the auspices of the popular Government, will be brought in the ambit of the educational policy. Being a private and capitalistic concern, the film has developed pre-eminently as an entertainment and as such it has penetrated into the remote countryside. Though designed as an entertainment, the screen rarely fails to exercise its subsidiary function of education of the people. Children, however, lose more than what they gain if they are indiscriminately exposed to the influence of every film which is meant for adults. In our opinion children under a fixed age should have access to only those films which the Boards of Censors should be asked to select as beneficial or harmless to them. They should at the same time, be provided something positive and wholesome in the shape of educational shorts and special entertainment films.

We hope that the Central Government, in view of a comprehensive programme of education before them, will consider the desirability of setting up a machinery in co-operation of the film industry for the production of educational and entertainment films for children and for workers in fields and factories and of the records of the high technique of music and dance from their living repositories—the recognised masters. Entertainment films produced on a commercial basis should be positively educative in values; and in order to be as such they should present a realistic picture of contemporary life and faithful versions of the historical and mythological episodes and classical dramas and should popularise music, dance and other Indian arts of the authentic standards and not of their current stylisations. The development of the film as a medium of national expression and as an instrument of education, art and culture is a crying need of India. In order to achieve the same the Government should at least revise the antiquated system of censorship in such a way that it would ensure more freedom to the producers in the selection of themes and would induce them to formulate high standards of literature, music, dance and other arts.

To the average listener the radio is either a news-agency or an organ of music of any description. In spite of the heavy expenditure which it claims annually the All-India Radio has failed to rise to the height of an educational agency. Being a department of the State and not a private commercial concern, its function should be to create among the people an interest in the right type of music, literature and art and not to pamper to coarse taste. The broadcasting machinery of India needs to be thoroughly overhauled and placed on a sound educational basis. The conception of education through the radio should inspire its every programme, but it should not be restricted merely to school-broadcasts and rural items. As a vehicle of music the All-India Radio should attach greater importance to the classical music of all the schools and should foster the interest of the people in the same in preference to its popular fare of lesser varieties and film-songs. To help the people to appreciate the history, literature and arts of their own country is an integral part of education; and the film and the radio will be found to be capable of undertaking it with remarkable success if they are used from the educational point of view. We trust the Central Government will proceed in due course with the work of organising both as agencies of mass-education.

Frankly Speaking

Significant "Resentment"

It is not unnatural that Mr. Bevin's statement in the House of Commons regarding President Truman's intervention in the Palestine problem should have caused astonishment and resentment in Washington. Mr. Bevin, of course, told no more than the truth, the blunt truth insofar as American support to Zionism and Jewish demands is concerned. The fact, we note, is not denied as it cannot be denied. What is indignantly objected to, as Reuter reports, is "the timing of the disclosure of sharp differences between the leaders of the British and United States Government last autumn". The significance of resentment at the timing of the disclosure is that the Zionist claims are weakened and the United States Government, the champion of those claims, is put in a somewhat cramped position at a time when the matter is to be sent to UNO. It will affect the thoroughness of the United States' advocacy of the Jewish cause.

Unacceptable Reservation

But the disclosures by Mr. Bevin and reactions in Washington, which may well lead to further disclosures, will be welcome to the Arabs. They will know whom and what they have to deal with. They will know how far America has gone and how far it will go in order to support Jewish claims, about the nature of which there is no doubt. In fact, all this was already known, but the present developments confirm it further. This is not, however, to say that the British have suddenly turned into friends of the rightful claims of Arabs to their homeland and to independence. Mr. Bevin, for instance, is reported to have said in the Commons that the British Government is going to UNO in order not to surrender the Mandate but to seek its advice as how best to administer it. This strikes at the very root of the Arab position which is that the Mandate is unjust and uncalled for, that it must be put an end to and that the Arab country of Palestine should be conceded its independence, without conditions and reservations.

Ali's Well ....

All's well that ends well. Every sensible Indian will welcome with relief the end of the unfortunate struggle between the Muslim League and the Punjab Government. The settlement is a compromise, the essence of which is always give-and-take. It is, as Mr. Jinnah observed in his recent statement on the subject, honourable to both sides and both the parties should be commended for the wisdom and statesmanship that they have displayed in saving the Punjab from what might well have developed into a very unfortunate crisis, indeed. Moreover, the situation in India has changed with dramatic suddenness. And Mr. Attlee's statement is, as Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru has said, a challenge to the patriotism and constructive genius of all Indians. The atmosphere in which this challenge can be successfully taken up needs to be as free from troubles and conflicts as possible. It behoves every party and every group in India, whatever its political ideals, to help in the creation of that calm atmosphere. It is necessary in the interests of all.

French And Indo-China

Admiral D'Argenlieu, the French High Commissioner in Indo-China, is in Paris discussing the situation with the French Premier and, significantly, with the Minister for National Defence. The Admiral, it is suggested, has been recalled and will not return to his imperialist post. But there need be no speculation as to the subject of the discussions and the future policy which the French propose to pursue. It is to secure a "military" solution of the Indo-Chinese problem, that is, to beat the Viet Nam to its knees. It is a pity. The struggle for freedom cannot be defeated thus. Secondly, the French should be able to read the signs of the times. It is rather amusing to learn from a recent report that Mr. Attlee's decision to quit India by June 1948 has perturbed Frenchmen who are apprehensive of its repercussions on their own Empire. Repercussions are certain But it is unworthy of French wisdom and realism not to recognise the inevitability of the end of French Imperial domination over Indo-China. And it is more unworthy of French Socialism and French traditions of liberty to seek to maintain their Imperialist hold—which they cannot do however many their military "victories" over the Viet Nam—rather than voluntarily withdraw it, a procedure which in the long run will prove of advantage to the French themselves as certainly as the present "war" will, in the long run, prove disastrous to them.

To Save Is National Duty

Bombay Province To Observe Next Week As 'Savings Week'

A Press Note issued by the Government of Bombay:—

In the last financial year Bombay Province broke all records by winning the Viceroy's Gold Shield and also two Silver Shields. The Government of Bombay have deputed Mr. K. R. Mehta, the Provincial National Savings Officer, to receive the Gold Shield from the Viceroy and the Silver Shields from the Hon'ble the Finance Member on behalf of the Government of Bombay.

The Government of Bombay have decided to observe during the present financial year two Savings Weeks, one a local week for each District, the other a Provincial Week. The dates for the local Savings Weeks differ with each District. Some have celebrated or are celebrating their District Weeks while others are about to do so during the next month. The Provincial Savings Week is to be observed throughout the Province from the 4th to the 10th of March. Preparations have been made by the Provincial National Savings Officer and his Assistants throughout the Province with the help of about 200 Small Savings Committees composed of non-officials at various places in this Province in consultation with the local officials. Free cinema shows, variety entertainments open only to purchasers of National Savings Certificates and Stamps, are being conducted at various places. Elocution competitions, processions, etc., are arranged for in various towns.

3 The Hon: Mr. B. G. Kher, the Prime Minister and the Hon. Mr. Vaikunth L. Mehta, Minister for Finance, have sent messages recommending to the public the Small Savings Scheme and investment in National Savings Certificates and Stamps.

PREMIER'S SUPPORT

The following is the message sent by the Premier:—

NEW DELHI, 21st Jan. 1947.

Dear Mr. Mehta,

I have pleasure in giving my support for the Small Savings drive. The last War has wrought many changes in the life of the millions of India of which a change in the standard of living of the so-called lower classes comprising mainly farmers and industrial workers is a very striking feature. This class finds itself with more money in hand, but is faced with a scarcity of things on which to spend it. This drives him to the black market where inflated prices serve as a medium for the transfer of hard-earned money from the pockets of the workers to the safes of the traders. This in turn leads to the spiral of discontent, demands for higher wages, higher costs and lower level of production. The only way out of the vicious circle is for the lower and the lower middle classes who constitute the majority of our population to restrict their purchases until production increases and prices come down. For this purpose the Small Savings drive is an excellent instrument. If its true meaning is explained to our people who have shrewd common sense I am sure they will respond to it very enthusiastically. I wish the scheme all success.

B. G. KHER.

FINANCE MINISTER'S HOPE

The following is the message of Mr. Vaikunth L. Mehta, Minister for Finance:—

As one who has witnessed great national movements in India and in other countries building up their financial strength on the practice of thrift by the common man, I welcome every effort which serves to enable large classes of the community to practice this virtue, with advantage both to the State and to themselves. It is the aim of the Small Savings Scheme to give every individual citizen, however poor his means may be, to lay by something regularly or periodically and to entrust his scanty savings to the Government of the country.

Thrift is a virtue not unknown in India; but with the social and economic changes which came about in our midst during the last century and a half, while on the one hand the scope for making savings gradually diminished, on the other, savings came to be made in a form which deprived the community and occasionally the individuals themselves of their full benefit. Fortunately, the campaign for promoting the Small Savings Scheme was undertaken at a time when the worst effects of the great economic depression were over and it seemed possible for large numbers of the population to have something to lay by.

The campaign has succeeded, particularly in Bombay, in inducing various sections of the community to lend their large or small savings to Government. With representative and responsible Governments instelled in office both at the Centre and in the Provinces, the appeal to save and lend to State for the benefit of the community should evoke a much wider response than it did in the past. Bombay's lead in the All-India drive is well-established. With the newly awakened consciousness among the people of the Province about identity of interests between themselves and those who are entrusted with the reins of administration, let us hope that this premier position which the Province enjoys will be maintained, and that the people will come to look upon the Small Savings Scheme as one which they, by their own efforts, have to make successful.

CENTRAL ASSEMBLY:

Disposal Of 150,000 Tons Of Dangerous Cargo

Bill To Facilitate Dumping Operations At Karachi And Vizagapatam Passed

NEW DELHI, Feb. 27 (API): Mr. B. K. Gokhale, Secretary, Works, Mine and Power Department, moved in the Central Assembly to-day the Bill to continue for a limited period powers to exempt operations, and to regulate those operations.

Mr. Gokhale explained that this was a simple safety measure. The Indian Explosives Act of 1884 naturally contemplated conditions as it then existed but explosives to-day had become formidable and devastating.

Port rules in regard to explosives were restrictive but owing to war conditions the Government of India in 1940 issued orders under the Defence of India Act empowering Naval or Military officers in charge, under given circumstances of grave emergency, to relax the provisions of the Explosives Act and allowed the dangerous cargoes to be handled at quayside.

The order issued in 1940 worked fairly well but there were no provisions in the order for consultation between the various authorities such as the Police and the Civil Administration for taking precautionary measures and there were the disastrous Bombay Dock explosions in April, 1944.

DROWNING: SAFEST WAY TO DEAL WITH EXPLOSIVES

Government appointed a committee under the chairmanship of Maj.-Gen. Russel to suggest ways and means for the disposal of dangerous cargoes and the Committee recommended that the safest way to deal with explosives was to drown them at sea. Other measures taken were common throughout the world.

Dumping operations, Mr. Gokhale said, were at present being carried on in Karachi and Masulipatam. The Defence Department thought that they would be able to complete the programme of drowning the ammunition by March 25 but owing to shipping difficulties it was now thought it would take another 18 months to get rid of these dangerous cargoes. There were now about 150,000 tons of dangerous cargoes to be drowned.

DUMPING OPERATIONS

The Port rules were too restrictive for quick disposal and the object of the present Bill was to facilitate the operations at the ports of Karachi and Vizagapatam and the Bill was intended to remain in force for a period not exceeding two years. These two ports, Mr. Gokhale said, were not so densely populated and there was the required depth of 250 fathoms to drown the explosives.

Haji Ishaq Seth, Mr. Tamizuddin Khan and Mr. Mehd. Nauman who participated in the debate said that they would have preferred the Bill referred to a Select Committee. They asked if it would not be possible to destroy the explosives in some other manner. They objected to certain concurrent provisions in the Bill in regard to the powers vested in the Chief Inspector of Explosives in respect of dangerous cargoes.

The Defence Secretary, assured the House that Government was anxious to ensure that all the precautions recommended by the Russel Committee were given effect to. He said that if the explosives were destroyed by other means than drowning, it was found that it left a dangerous residue.

Mr. M. A. F. Hirtzel (European Group) agreed with the objection that there was a contradiction in two subclauses of the Bill regarding powers in respect of ammunition and explosives.

Mr. Gokhale explained that the relevent provisions were the verbatim reproduction from the Defence of India Act.

On the suggestion of the President, Mr. Gokhale agreed to think over the matter and further consideration of the Bill was postponed to the afternoon.

When the House resumed the debate on the Bill after lunch, Mr Gokhale said that Government were agreeable to the deletion of the subclause which was objected to by certain members.

Haji Ishaq Seth moved an amendment for the deletion of the subclause which empowered the Chief Inspector of Explosives to authorise in special cases relaxation or modification of any restrictions imposed by law in regard to the loading and unloading, conveyance or storage of explosives. He said there was no need for this sub-clause because the earlier clause has vested the Central Government with the same powers.

Mr. Gokhale accepted the amendment.

IT BELONGS TO H.M.G.

Explaining a point raised by Babu Ramnarayan Singh, the Defence Secretary, said that all the ammunition to be drowned belonged to H.M.G. and its present value was less than nil. If it were valuable, Government would not have destroyed them.

The House agreed to the rest of the clauses and the Bill was passed.

CONTROL OF IMPORTS AND EXPORTS

The House referred to a Select Committee the Commerce Member's Bill to continue for a limited period powers to prohibit or control imports and exports. The motion for reference to Select Committee was made by Mr. C. P. Lawson (European Group).

The House passed the Railway Member Dr. John Matthai's Bill to confer for a limited period special powers for regulating the transport of goods on Railways, as reported by the Select Committee. Dr. Matthai explained that the Bill provided for the continuance of the present priority organisation and in regard to granting priorities the present system would be continued.

Govt.'s New Milk Scheme

Corporation To Allow Municipal Premises For Distribution

BOMBAY, Thursday.

With only a day left for the Subsidised Milk Scheme to come to an end, Mr. Naushir Bharucha once again pleaded for its continuation in the name of expectant and nursing mothers and children under five, in the Municipal Corporation today.

The Mayor, Mr. M. L. Rowjee, presided.

Dr. T. R. Naravane moved a resolution asking for the approval of the House for the use by Government, for their new Milk Distribution Scheme which they contemplated bringing into operation from March 1, 1947, of Municipal premises which at present are used as distributing centres under the Subsidised Milk Scheme.

BHARUCHA'S AMENDMENT

Mr. Naushir Bharucha moved an amendment that the Government should be informed that in the event of their accepting the suggestion of the Corporation to continue the Subsidised Milk Scheme at least for the benefit of expectant and nursing mothers and children of five years and under, the Corporation would have no objection to the present distributing centres being used by the Government for their new scheme.

Mr. Bharucha said that this was the only way to make effective their protest. The House should offer their co-operation only if the Government were prepared to accept their wishes.

It was false to say that the Government had no money. Only the other day the Budget showed that the Government had invested six crores in Government securities and had a surplus balance of seventeen crores.

Mr. M. N. Talpade said that this sort of attitude in view of the Government having given a donation of thirty lakhs of rupees to the Corporation was unreasonable. Besides this, a large bulk of the population in Bombay consisted of middle classes. The new Milk Schme of the Government would, therefore, benefit a large number of people.

Mr. Jamnadas Mehta moved an amendment that the Government should be allowed the use of the premises only on payment of rent. It was wrong to say, he said, that the middle classes formed a large bulk of the population in Bombay. Thirteen annas a seer was nothing less than profiteering. The Subsidised Scheme ought to have been continued.

Mr. Dahyabhai V. Patel remarked that Mr. Bharucha and others had woken up too late. It was no use blaming the present Government. Shortage of milk was a legacy of the former Government. Nobody cared to save milch cattle during the war. He opposed Mr. Bharucha's amendment on the ground that if rent was charged from the Government it would necessarily enhance the price of milk. It was too early to presume a negative answer from the Government to the representation made for cheap milk for children.

Some other speakers also addressed the House.

The amendments of both Mr. Bharucha and Mr. Jamnadas Mehta were lost and the original proposition was carried.

FOOD PRICES

The House also discussed a resolution of Mr. Jamnadas Mehta requesting the Mayor to represent to the Government of Bombay that both the quantity and quality of articles of food were deteriorating and the prices were going high.

Mr. Jamnadas Mehta contended that it was in the power of the Government to bring down the prices of foodstuffs, because in fixing the prices it charged all the expenses incurred in transporting, distributing and controlling the foodstuffs. In England the Government followed a contrary practice and bore loss in distributing and transporting articles of food. Here the Government called itself a National Government yet pursued a policy bequeathed to it by an alien Government.

Mr. M. N. Talpade argued that this sort of representation would serve no purpose. The Supply Minister's speech last evening at the Greens held out no hopes of better supply. He said he wanted to ask a question from the Minister but was not allowed to do so. The question was whether it was possible for the Interim Government to issue an ordinance declaring it illegal for any provincial Government to hold up any surplus foodstuffs.

The resolution had not been fully debated upon when the House rose to meet again on Monday.

Partial Strike In Govt. Of India Press

NEW DELHI, Feb. 27, (A.P.I.): A press note issued by the Finance Department says:

"Owing to a partial strike in the Government of India Press, New Delhi, which was called off only on the 24th inst. it has not been possible this year, to arrange for the distribution of copies of part of the Finance Member's budget speech, and the connected press summary at outstations on the 28th February as usual.

TETE-A-TETE

WITHOUT COMMENT

"It is not often that we have a cause for being ashamed of being Englishmen, but I do not know how I shall look one of these Indian peasants in the face."

—The Earl of Selbourne in the House of Lords.

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Why can't British statesmen or Reuters, whoever may be responsible, be less confusing and spare a lot of people a lot of headache? Here, for instance, is what Lord Pethick-Lawrence is reported to have said regarding the Muslim League together with Reuter's helpful explanation in brackets:

".....I shall be surprised if, when they read the terms of the statement carefully and with due consideration, they will think it is so likely to produce Pakistan". (Apparently as likely as Viscount Templewood had suggested.

Will somebody tell us what exactly all this means?

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One of the most effective, instructive and illuminating contributions to the India debate was, of course, by Viscount Simon, who warned: "You do grave injustice to the intelligence of India if you do not think they have seen the possible consequences of this (Government's) announcement on either side long ago".

Indians have. But India's old friend Go-Back-Simon does graver injustice to the intelligence of India when he does not think that they have seen through Lord Simon, his motives and his forensic tactics.

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Lord Simon hoped that the British Government would not 'dream of handing over the Government of India to Pandit Nehru".

It is a nightmare which must, we quite appreciate, be frightening poor John Simon all his waking and sleeping hours.

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The noble Lord also feared that the end of this business was not going to be the establishment of peace in India but to degrade the British name.

The British name of Simons and Selbournes? But that would be impossible.

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Explaining Muslim Leaguers' abstention from a reception in honour of Mr. Asaf Ali, the League leader in America says "we decided to communicate first with the All-India Muslim League at New Delhi before accepting (the invitation). The reply which was received did not justify our acceptance".

Does he mean Mr. Liaquat Ali, Secretary of the All-India Muslim League and a member of the Interim Government?

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A spokesman of the Jewish Agency declares that Mr. Bevin's latest statement on Jewish demands "shows a complete lack of understanding of the fundamentals of the Zionism which is an attempt to solve the Jewish problem by restoring nationhood to the Jewish people."

The spokesman has more or less said it. And everybody understands the fundamentals of Zionism only too well.

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Admiral Thierry D'Argenlieu, the French High Commissioner in Indo-China, conferred with the French Premier and the Minister of National Defence but refused to make any statement to the Press, says a Paris message.

The Admiral might have said: My actions speak louder and more clearly than any words of mine.

WILL ATTLEE RESIGN?

Rumours In London

(From Our London Correspondent).

LONDON.—Startling rumours are in circulation that Mr. Attlee will not for long remain Premier. It is also rumoured that Mr. Morrison, Lord President of the Council, now lying ill in hospital, may not return to the House.

Mr. Attlee, it is said, is finding it difficult to carry Trade Union leaders with him in everything he does. He finds discussions with Trade Union leaders irksome. Trade Union leaders have been asking for shorter hours and increase in wages. These the Prime Minister finds it difficult to provide. Though no actual split has occurred between the Trade Union leaders and the Prime Minister the things are far from easy and any day a clash may occur. In any case Mr. Attlee does not find himself in a happy position, and if a greater strain is put on him he may throw up the sponge.

No doubt Mr. Churchill has stated that he is opposed to a coalition. But nothing will please Conservatives more than the formation of a Coalition, and the efforts in this direction have not ceased. Conservatives will not mind a Coalition with Mr. Ernest Bevin as Prime Minister. Mr. Bevin, who has been following more or less Tory policy in foreign affairs, is considered as a safe man. But Mr. Bevin has not lost his good sense entirely and may not entertain Tory overtures.

The Labour Party since the shock of 1931, which almost killed it, is suspicious of alliances. But in 1931 Mr. Ramsay MacDonald did not lead a parliamentary majority. He could find the majority by deserting his party. Today the Labour leader has 400 members on his side. For any leader to ignore this majority and seek the support of another party would be to commit political "hara kiri", and Mr. Bevin is the last person to do so.

CALCUTTA, Feb. 27 (API.) It is learnt that the Indian Trade Mission to the Middle East headed by Mr. M. A. H. Ispahani, will leave Karachi on March 9. He is expected to return to India in nine weeks.

Bombay Legislative Assembly:

Bill To Amend Motor Vehicles Act Passed

Govt. To Municipalise Road Transport Services In Entire Province

BOMBAY, Thursday.

An emphatic declaration of the intention of Government to apply the principle of provincialisation or municipalisation of road transport services to the entire Province was made by Mr. Morarji Desai, Home and Revenue Minister, replying to the debate on the first reading of the Bill to amend the Motor Vehicles Act, in the Bombay Legislative Assembly today.

POOR VOTING

Despite the determined opposition of the Muslim League benches, who challenged division twice in the course of the day, the Bill passed through all stages. The first division which was called on the first reading of the Bill showed that the Opposition mustered only 23 votes against 72 in support of the Bill. The second division which was called on an amendment moved by Mr. J. H. Shamsuddin showed that there were in the House only 64 supporters of Government as against 12 for the Opposition. This poor voting in a House of 175 was a sign of declining interest in the somewhat prolonged debate over the Bill.

The third reading of the Bill also encountered opposition from Mr. A. A. Khan, leader of the Muslim League Party. But his speech as well as the reply of Mr. Morarji Desai were in the nature of accusations that the Opposite party did not mean what they said. Mr. Desai wound up with the hope that "when the present antagonisms based on artificial considerations disappeared, we will have better understanding and artificial attacks will disappear."

TOP-HEAVY ADMINISTRATION

Mr. S. M. Hassan concluding his overnight speech said that nationalisation was welcome where there is already a monopoly and the process of transfer was simple. What was at present contemplated was to eliminate a number of owner drivers as well as other operators and put in their place a top-heavy bureaucratic administration. In a business where flexibility was very desirable nationalisation was going to introduce rigidity. The Government should look at the problem only from the point of view of the comfort of the public and not keep its eye on profits.

Mr. Abdul Sattar Gandhi said that the idea of acquiring buses which had been in use for less than four years and paying compensation for them was a mere eye-wash. During the war period nobody had been able to obtain buses and all buses at present operating were more than four years old.

Mr. A. K. Shaikh said that the Bill was the result of the situation created by an over-zealous and over-anxious Regional Transport Board in obliging a local authority with a licence. He complained that while it was stated that this Bill was only an enabling measure and the merit of the scheme of nationalisation was not under discussion, it did seem to be an attempt to get approval for the scheme of nationalisation by back door methods. He also asserted that the Bill asked for too drastic and dictatorial powers for Government.

Mr. S. L. Karandikar, while not subscribing to the arguments put forward by the Muslim League Opposition counselled that the Bill should be held over. He commented on the fact that a Bill of this kind had not been brought forward by the first Congress Ministry. In his view this was due to two facts. One was perhaps that the operation of a bus service was not at that time as profitable as it was at present. Secondly, perhaps, the Government thought that they would be able to get better co-operation from the Central Government now than they could have done at that time. He thought this was a very illusory hope, because the shape of things to come in the Centre was very much undecided. Therefore he felt that nothing would be lost by postponing this Bill.

While asserting that none of the calamitous things feared by the League speakers would happen if the Bill was passed, Mr. Karandikar made a plea for exemption of those districts where there was no railway facilities from the scheme of nationalisation.

Mr. K. B. Kazi, opposing the Bill, was of opinion that it was not an enabling measure, but the final step towards nationalisation. He said that bus services under State control would cater more for the needs of the big Officials of the Government than for the common people. He supported his argument by citing an instance of the alleged stopping of the Deccan Queen at the Dadar Railway Station to enable the Prime Minister, Mr. B. G. Kher to board the train.

HOME MINISTER'S REPLY

Mr. Morarji Desai in a persuasive reply answered the various criticisms levelled against the Bill during the debate. He made it clear that the Government were bent upon the nationalisation or the provincialisation of road transport after considering the manner in which private owners were managing the services so far. However, the question of nationalisation was not relevant at this stage as the Bill was designed to give necessary powers to the Government to remove the legal difficulties in the way of launching any scheme of nationalisation and to enable the major Municipalities to take over the bus services in their respective areas. The Bill did not commit Government to any scheme of nationalisation and he reiterated his assurance that any workable scheme from the public would be considered by the Government, if they were convinced that it would serve the interests of the people better.

Answering the criticism put forward by the Muslim League members regarding the proposal of the Ahmedabad Municipality to take over the bus service, the Home Minister said that the Government had decided to permit the major Municipalities to run the bus services if they so desired. There were no manoeuvrings or machinations on the part of the Government in this matter, he added.

Mr. Desai said that the Municipalities were quite justified in taking over the bus services as they met the heavy expenditure involved in the proper maintenance of roads. The private companies were reaping huge profits at the expense of these local bodies. Further he contended that it was quite proper for the Municipalities to seek Government help and it was Government's duty to render all possible help to these public bodies in the conduct of their legitimate activities. The Ahmedabad Municipality was a fully representative body and as such he was at a loss to understand the stiff opposition put up by the Opposition in the matter. Of course it was quite natural that vested interests should oppose any measure affecting them, the Minister argued.

LEAGUE ATTITUDE DEPLORED

Deploring the attitude adopted by the Muslim League members during the debate, Mr. Desai said that the Government could not be coerced. He appealed to them to make an approach in a spirit of co-operation and mutual trust which would serve their cause better.

The Minister also made it clear that it was with the consent of the Central Government that the Provincial Government had moved this Bill to amend the Motor Vehicles' Act and as such there was no possibility of the Bombay Government coming into conflict with the Government of India.

Adverting to the criticism that the small and poor motor operators would be hard hit by nationalisation, the Minister said that during the last six years they had earned enormous profits, by charging unduly high rates. They declined to reduce these rates as proposed by the Government more than once. But when the Municipality came forward to run the service at the rate of six pies per mile, the private company was also prepared to reduce the fare to that level. This showed that the private companies took advantage of the monopoly which they hitherto enjoyed. If the Government took over monopoly of the service the money that would accrue therefrom would be utilised for the benefit of the public.

APATHY OF PRIVATE OWNERS

Similarly during the war, the private companies showed no sense of duty to the public and the buses were heavily overcrowded and over-loaded in utter disregard of the convenience of passengers. The Government received many representations, engineered by the companies, to allow over-crowding. When conditions had now returned to normal and Government sought to regulate overcrowding and over-loading, the motor owners raised a big hue and cry.

The Minister also revealed that certain interested parties were canvassing signatures of passengers against the scheme of nationalisation on the plausible plea of getting better facilities for them. He emphatically declared that the Government would be fully prepared to meet any situation in the event of a general strike by the motor operators, the possibility of which was suggested by one of the members in his speech.

Mr. Desai also cleared the doubt entertained by certain members whether nationalisation would be confined to those areas where road transport competed with the railways. He said it was Government's intention to extend the scope of the scheme to the whole Province and not to particular parts.

After this lucid exposition of the implications of the Bill, the Minister commended the Bill to the House for the first reading. The Opposition pressed the first reading to a division which resulted in 72 voting for and 23 against.

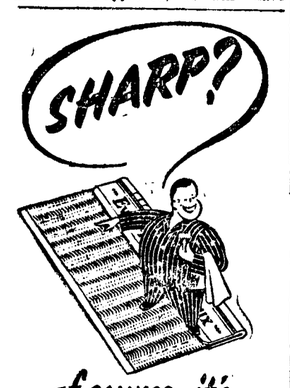
Resuming after tea time the House took up the second reading of the Bill in the course of which Mr. J. H. Shamsuddin as the chief spokesman of the League sponsored and advocated a series of amendments. Mr. Morarji Desai opposed all of them on the ground that they were designed to defeat the very purpose of the Bill. All of them were thrown out and the Bill passed its second reading.

WARNING AGAINST COMMUNISM

On the third reading Mr. A. A. Khan, Leader of the Opposition who had not participated in the debate on the Bill till this time put up a stiff opposition. His theme was the new familiar warning against Communism. He asserted that if Government continued to tread this path, they would help the very party whom they were trying to crush. He also alleged that the Government was chiefly influenced by the profit motive and warned them not to "descend to the level of a bania".

Mr. Morarji Desai in replying stated that everybody was welcome to his ideology and every one must state what he honestly believed in. The Leader of the Opposition may have a horror of nationalisation; but he (Mr. Desai) had none. And when a certain measure was welcome on merits, he was not the man to shun it merely because the Communists also welcomed it. Communism could not be fought by merely running it down. There was much in that creed that all lovers of the common good must appreciate. But what he condemned in the Communists was the violent methods by which they sought to achieve their ends.

He refuted the allegation that the members of the Congress Party were supporting Government only out of party loyalty. That loyalty was based on reason and understanding. There was more freedom of personal opinion in the party than in any other. The party's support to nationalisation was based on an intellectual appreciation of the principles of the Bill.



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DOUBLE SUMMER TIME FOR BRITAIN

LONDON, Feb. 26, (A.P.A.): Britain will turn the clock forward two hours this summer to save fuel and help industry's new staggered hours programme.

Home Secretary Chuter Ede told the House of Commons today that regular summer time would run from March 16 to November 2 and that double summer time would operate from April 13 to August 10.

Double summer time means that darkness does not settle on Britain until about 23.00 GMT (4-30 a.m. next day I.S.T.).

HUQ-GANDHI PARLEYS

CHANDPUR, (TIPPERAH) Feb. 27, Mr. A. K. Fazlul Huq, ex-Premier of Bengal met Mahatma Gandhi at Haimchar this afternoon. He had sought the interview to have a "Cordial discussion" with Mahatma Gandhi.

No Br. Rule After June 1948

"Times" On Opposition's Erroneous Assumption

LONDON, Feb. 27, (Reuter): Transfer of power to India must be completed while British authority remains effective, declares "The Times" and adds that the Opposition attack on Government's decision to fix the 15 months' time limit was based on the incorrect assumption that it would be possible to maintain efficient British rule after 1948.

"Government can hardly have expected to escape the heavy attack in view of the dramatic nature of their decision to impose a time limit for final British withdrawal from India and simultaneously to recall a Viceroy so implicitly trusted and so much respected as Lord Wavell.

The decision has caused a sensation in Britain, in India and indeed in every country where the process of India's rapid emergency into full nation-hood is being followed with anxious attention," declares "the Times".

"It was inevitable in all circumstances that grave doubts should be expressed, in both Britain and India about the wisdom of introducing the additional complication of a rigid time limit into the process already so difficult of transferring power from British to Indian hands.

EXPEDIENT MAY SUCCEED

"Nevertheless", the "Times" continues, "it may still be that the expedient will succeed. It has already transformed the political atmosphere by persuading even the most sceptical of critics that Britain is in earnest. Whether it will bring the Congress Party and the Muslim League to a working agreement has yet to be seen. This crucial issue is still undecided. There is certainly some reason to hope that the result may be emergence of one or more administrations capable of acting as delegates of British Authority at the Centre. But prospects of success have not been improved by some of the speeches delivered in the House of Lords.

RAILWAY UNION CONSTITUENCY

BOMBAY, Feb. 27, (A.P.I.): The Governor of Bombay has fixed according to a Government Gazette Notification, March 10, 1947 as the date for the nomination of candidates to the two seats from the Railway Unions Constituency rendered vacant by reason of the election of Mr. S. Shivbishalsingh Harpalsingh and Mr. Ghanshyam Hari Kale having been declared void.

Polling will be held on March 24 and the counting of votes on March 26, 1947, says the notification.

NEWS IN BRIEF

NEW YORK, Feb. 27 (Reuter). The coast-guard office reported today that the 6214-ton U. S. steamer "Lookout" had taken off the crew of the U. S. tanker "Royal Oak", (10,296 tons) which was reported last night to be sinking in the Pacific, 30 miles off the Peruvian coast. The crew was stated to number 40.

CALCUTTA, Feb. 27 (API.) The Bengal Labour Minister's proposal to set up a Labour Advisory Board to advise Government in settling industrial disputes was accepted by a conference attended by representatives of employers and labour. A Sub-Committee was appointed to draft the constitution.

MADRAS, Feb. 27 (APA). Two witnesses testified that there were groups in the Congress Legislature Party when Premier Prakasam's Committee for investigating the alleged existence of groups met at the Secretariat today. Mr. N. G. Ranga of Andhra was the only provincial Congress President who attended the meeting. The meeting was adjourned until tomorrow morning.

Spotlight on Antarctica

U.235—raw material for the Atom Bomb. This is supposed to be the lure for the mammoth expedition undertaken by U. S. to explore the bleak wastes of the bottom of the earth. The expedition is under the command of Admiral Byrd, who before the war hit the headlines by staying alone amidst the ice mountains for full six months. A topical article on the history of Antarctic exploration in the next "Bombay Chronicle Weekly."

Not All Forbidden Fruit

A perspective for the true appreciation of Urdu Progressive literature.

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"C. R." writes on the impending adoption of the decimal system for our coins weights and measures. A surrender to rationalism long overdue.

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ANGLO-FRENCH TREATY OF ALLIANCE

Is Stalin Holding Up Its Signing?

LONDON, Feb. 27 (UPA).—British reports today claimed that Generalissimo Stalin was holding up the signing of the Anglo-French Treaty of Alliance. The Foreign Office declined to deny or confirm the reports and insisted on maintaining its news blackout on the discussions which are being conducted in London.

The Diplomatic Correspondent of the "Evening News" reported today that personal intervention by Stalin was delaying the signing of the alliance treaty.

The report said that Stalin in a message to the French Government had expressed the wish that the alliance be drawn up on terms similar to the Franco-Soviet Alliance.

Two drafts were being considered, the report said. The British originally suggested that the two countries should act together in the event of actual German aggression whereas the French sought action in the event of a threat of German aggression.

Stalin was said to have urged a stronger line with Germany, the report said.

A "Times" dispatch from Paris today said that, on the other hand, the differences between the British and French texts were so slight that there was even a hope for the alliance to be signed before Mr. Bevin's departure to Moscow.

PROGRAMME OF SOCIALISATION

Finance Minister Says It Is Striking Feature Of Plan Of Bombay Govt.

BOMBAY, Thursday.

Cock-fights in Kanara District, which the Home Minister, Mr. Morarji Desai, described as a rural pastime which had become traditional with the people, caused the only flicker of liveliness when the Bombay Legislative Council commenced its first 1947 session, this afternoon, with Mr. Ramchandra G. Soman, Deputy President, in the chair.

"Government proposes to apply the provisions of section 12 of the Bombay Prevention of Gambling Act to areas in Kanara District where cock-fighting is indulged in. Instructions have been issued to the District Magistrate, Kanara, to take action under the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act against the persons in citing cocks to fight," thus declared Mr. Morarji Desai, replying to a series of questions from Mr. M. G. Gopi (Dharwar-cum-Kanara) who asked whether Government was aware that indulgence in cock-fights by the labouring classes of Kanara led to quarrels and the depletion of their savings, as it was usually accompanied by bettings.

A panel of four Chairmen, consisting of Sir Abdul Latif, Sir Frederick Stones, Mr. R. R. Bakhale and Mr. R. M. Gandhi was appointed by the Deputy President who also made a reference to the absence of the Hon. Mr. Mangaldas Pakvasa, the President, who was undergoing treatment for injuries sustained in a fall.

SOCIALISATION PROGRAMME

Mr. Vaikunth L. Mehta, presenting the Budget estimates for the year 1947-48, gave a resume of the comprehensive speech he made on the floor of the Legislative Assembly on February 24, while presenting the Budget. The Council, he said, was meeting to consider the Budget estimates of the Government after an interval of eight years, during which momentous changes had taken place. Monetary inflation had affected all facets of the people's life. Revenue and expenditure had gone up in all provinces by two and a half times, and this was reflected in the Budget estimates of the Bombay Government also.

After referring to the handsome amounts Government had allotted for many nation-building activities, the Finance Minister claimed that a programme of socialisation was a striking feature of Government's plans for the future. Prohibition would progress by four gradual stages to root out the drink evil, the effect of which on the people's life would be such as to recompense the public for the loss incurred from an important source of revenue.

The Minister reminded the House that when the policy of prohibition became operative in the second year there would be a large slice cut off from Government revenues that year, to which would have to be added further slices to be cut off in the subsequent years. Simultaneously Government had to finance a heavy programme of reconstruction, the implementing of which would eventually add to the income of the peasant and the worker, thus enhancing both their purchasing power and their taxable capacity.

MEDICAL COLLEGE FOR KARNATAK

Earlier Dr. M. D. D. Gilder, Health Minister, stated that Government had not yet decided the final location of a medical college intended to serve the interests of Karnatak. "Before the final location is decided it would be necessary to develop hospitals in advance of the opening of the College. The question of expansion of hospital facilities is under the consideration of the Government, and it is proposed to increase the number of beds in the mofussil hospitals," he said.

Muslim papers are scrutinised and dealt with in the same manner as other papers," said Mr. Morarji Desai, Home Minister, in reply to Mr. R. N. Mandlik, who put a large number of questions regarding the relations between the Government and the newspapers of Ahmedabad after the outbreak of communal rioting in that city. Answering further queries, Mr. Desai said that Government could not take any action against the Urdu publication, called "Khilafat-Pakistan Scheme", as no copy of the book in circulation had been noticed by the authorities.

The Council will re-assemble on Friday, at 2-15 p.m.

AMERICAN EXPERTS HOPE TO STRIKE OIL IN SIND

KARACHI, Feb. 26. (A.P.I.): The geophysical operations by American experts to strike oil in Sind which had been delayed due to the strike of dockworkers in America and the railway strike recently at Rohri, commenced this week near Shikarpur.

A huge survey camp has been constructed at Sukkur for the purpose and Mr. Brown, a spokesman of the Party, explained that due to approaching summer they may not be able to make much progress this year. He however, felt confident to carry the operation to successful result before the end of the next year.

ROOPA-BHARATI

Interesting Exhibition At Cama Hall

Roopa-Bharati, whose first exhibition of art and craft is held at the K. R. Cama Oriental Institute Hall, is conducted by Mr. Jyotirindra Roy, one of the well known artists of Bombay and by Miss Sushila Mangaldas. Its principal aim is to foster popular interest in murals, furniture and other accessories of house decoration in the traditional Indian designs adjusted to modern requirements. The institution designs and also executes all its works.

Mr. Roy, who has exhibited over twenty paintings including murals is a versatile and experienced artist. He paints in the Indian style and handles every subject with confidence and firmness. His work is neat and expressive. It is well illustrated by his murals like "Mahaprasthan" (4) and "On Buddhist Mission to Ceylon" (1) and a few other paintings. Besides the large-scale compositions "My Mother" (14), "Burmese Maiden" (17) "Flute the Seducer" (19) and "In Search of Light" (21) are, among other paintings, worthy of notice for their delicacy and clarity of expression.

Another set of paintings introduces Miss Sushila Mangaldas as a talented artist. Interesting among them are "On the String" (32) "Divine Musician" (29) "Hunger" (33) and "Advent of the Dawn" (34). A few examples of wood carving like "On Buddhist Mission" (46) and "Goddess Lakshmi" (45) are very pleasing to the eyes. On views in the exhibition are a few pieces of furniture in the traditional Indian style, pottery and batik and leather work.

D. G. V.

GOVERNOR GRANTS INTERVIEW TO KHER

BOMBAY, February 27, (A.P.I.): The Governor of Bombay presided over a meeting of the Council of Ministers at the Secretariat.

His Excellency granted an interview to Mr. B. G. Kher.

D. F. Karaka:

Off My Chest

Apropos my Santa Cruz feeding-mother, an infuriated gent writes as per the constitution as follows, part of which are reproduced, its language and spelling notwithstanding:

RAJKOT, Feb. 23, 1947.

I believe that the views of Mr. D. G. Tandulkar appearing in the "Chronicle" of February 22, are sound. I remember to have seen a postage stamp dipicting a mother feeding her child and it is neither a bad manner nor a bad custom.

Moreover please note that alike Gandhism, Communalism, Socialism or Journalism, Hinduism too is not a religion. Hindus have no place of worship like that of Christians, Jews, Muslims, Parsis, Boras, Khojas, Budhas, Jains, Sikhs, Kabirpanthis, Ramanuja Vaishnavas, Shivatis, Swaminarayanas, Aryasamajists, and Brahmos, etc. If Hinduism were a religion, the Hindus must certainly have their place for Hindu worship like Church, Synagogue, Masjid, Agiari, Khojakhana, Ebadatkhna, Gurudwar, Vihar, Haveli, Dorasar, Mandir or what not, but there is none, that shows that the word 'Hindu' does not signify any religion but only the people of India.

Again the so-called non-Hindu mothers who live in seclusion because of their religious conception about the Pardah-system, cannot feed their children in public and the Parsi mothers cannot do so by raising up the 'Sadra and Kusti.'

Yours sincerely,
(Sd.) C. TEJPAL.

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In comparison to the above, I found Pompadour's Fashion Show quite refreshing. All "the best people in town" (which is an expression as vague as "the common man") were present, including an Indian prince with his brace of wives.

Some of the models which Pompadour produced were quite slick and in at least one, Pompadour had "accentuated the positive" but after the penicillin I had had only a few weeks ago, there was not even an impure thought left in me.

Each dress had an exotic name given to it, such as "Moonlight Sonata", "Morocco", "Lanka". Some of us boys who were looking at the show from another point of view were also giving our own names to some of the numbers—"Navel and Personal", "Brown Bomber" and "Lanky."

Ah well—'twas all in a good cause.

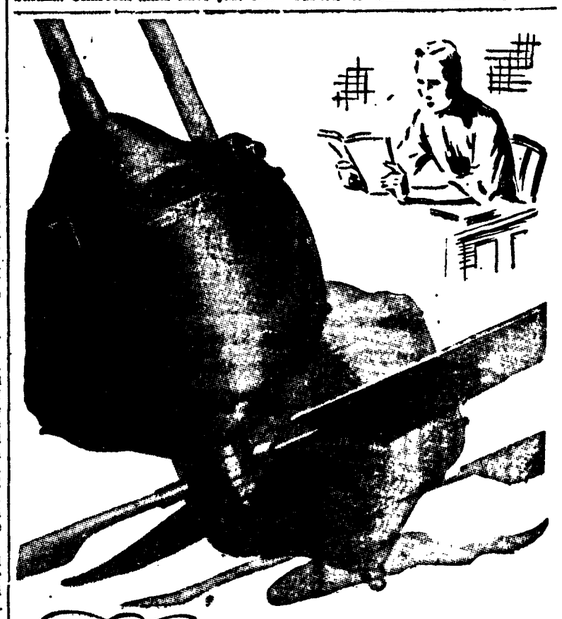
"EMPIRE" DISPUTE FOR ARBITRATION

The Director of Publicity, Government of Bombay writes: "The Government of Bombay has referred the disputes between the Empire of India Life Assurance Company, Limited, Bombay and its employees and the Bombay Life Assurance Company, Limited, Bombay and its employees for adjudication. Sir Harsidhbhai V. Divatia, President of the Industrial Court, Bombay, is to adjudicate."

Warlis Aggressive Again?

(From Our Correspondent).

DAHANU, Feb. 27.—Yesterday there was a recrudescence of Warli trouble after a lull of fortnight. Five wagon-loads of charcoal worth Rs. 4,000 was burnt at Ozar village in Dahanu Taluka. Charcoal kilns have just started working. This attack is likely to scare Kathodi charcoal-makers, thus causing an acute shortage in charcoal supply. 117 carts belonging to timber contractors were smashed in the same village. This incident has created fresh commotion. Police officers were rushed to Ozar this morning.



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Larry Parks Shines In Jolson Role–Bergman: New, Beglamourised And Disappointing–Suspenseful Murder Mystery–Gripping Western

Regal

THE JOLSON STORY (COLUMBIA)
Players: Larry Parks, Evelyn Keyes
William Demarest.
Director: Alfred E. Green.

Delicious broad humour and sympathy characterise this fictionised screen biography of Al Jolson, the jazz-singing idol of Broadway in the twenties, the Mammy singer who starred in the first talkie ever to be made. I enjoyed every moment of the picture, chiefly because it put me into a reminiscent frame of mind, bringing back, as it were, the fragrance of other days. Your own reaction to the film will depend entirely on your love, or otherwise, of jazz, and your past screen acquaintance, if any, with Jolson who gave us such memorable films as "The Jazz Singer" "The Singing Fool" and "Wonder Bar."

The story tells how Asa Yoelson, the son of a Jewish Cantor, runs away from home to join the show business with Steve Martin, a vaudeville artiste with whom he teams up in an act. Substituting, one night, for Tom Baron the coloured-faced singer of the show, Asa, by now renamed Al Jolson, has his vocal talents and his peculiar way of putting them across, discovered by none other than Oscar Hammerstein.

From then on, Jolson's fame and fortune are made. Idol of Broadway, he becomes the first talkie star and marries Julie Benson, a Ziegfeld girl who achieves popularity on the screen. But to her the peace of a home means far more than the gaiety and bustle of show business. When she discovers that entertainment is his life's blood, she leaves him to the world he adores.

Larry Parks's interpretation of the main role is amazingly vivid, particularly in view of the fact that he merely mouths the melodies actually sung by Jolson himself. The toss of the head, the dilating eye, the quaint swagger, all bespeak of Jolson, though perhaps the braggadocio is a bit overdone. Charming is Evelyn Keyes as Julie Benson. Likewise are Ludwig Donath and Tamara Shayne as the senior Yoelsons.

Lavishly mounted, the picture, in technicolour, brings back many haunting tunes such as "My Mammy" "California, Here I come", "Liza", "April Showers" and "Swanee".

An entertaining picture for the entire family, particularly for those of its members whose memories go back to the twenties.

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Excelsior

NOTORIOUS (R.K.O.—RADIO)
Players: Cary Grant, Ingrid Bergman, Claude Rains.
Director: Alfred Hitchcock.

Ever since the start of the late war the Nazis have been dragged in, by the scruff of the neck, to be the villains of the piece in some screen melodrama. Here, once again, they are made to appear in a dye as deep as the crimson of hell!

Ingrid Bergman has become a regular number in our film fare. Here, she seems to have been especially fattened and dressed bewilderingly for the occasion with her earlier simplicity unfortunately gone. The fast-living notorious American-born daughter of a condemned Nazi, falls in love with a secret agent who persuades her to undertake a spying mission in Rio. Her work necessitates her marrying one of the ringleaders of a wealthy Nazi group which collects uranium crystals in wine bottles. Needless to say, the new mistress of the household and her detective lover explore the wine cellar and are discovered by the husband who, rather than expose his own blunder in marrying the girl, decides, with the aid of his fiendish mother, to poison his wife.

Bergman, as the wife, languishes under the effect of the slow poisoning till Cary Grant, playing the secret agent, rescues her from the house in a far-fetched climax, right under the noses of the astonished Nazis in whose merciless hands we leave the foolish husband with Claude Rains in the inept role.

Much a muchness—for those who can still endure Nazi screen villainy, glamour without sanity and mystery without suspense.

Cary Grant and Bergman in "Notorious" (Excelsior.)

The touchstone of Larry Parks's unique artistry makes Al Jolson come to vivid life, despite little physical resemblance, in "The Jolson Story" (Regal.)

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Metro

THE SHOW-OFF (M.G.M.)
Players: Red Skelton, Marilyn, Maxwell, Leon Ames.

Red Skelton, in a farce that is an old Hollywood favourite, has ample opportunity to display his usual inanity.

Once the egotistical, happy-go-lucky Aubrey Piper marries Aung Fisher, the domestic comedy gathers force with the son-in-law interfering with his brother-in-law's chemical inventions and well-night setting fire to the Fisher home. The couple, installed by themselves in a flat, are evicted therefrom due to the nuisance created by the Great Dame which Aubrey purches as a body-guard for Amy. Back in the Fisher menage, Aubrey involves his brother-in-law into some more trouble and expense, but eventually redeems himself by his gift of the gale which helps to make the family fortune by the invention being made to yield an unexpectedly large return.

Red Skelton, in the title role, is, of course, the whole show with support from Marilyn Maxwell as the wife and Leon Ames as the brother-in-law.

Sheer slap-stick farce, the film provides abundant fun for such as seek light amusement from the comical capers of Red Skelton.

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Strand

THE VERDICT (WARNER BROS)
Players: Sydney Greenstreet, Pete Lorre, Paul Cavanagh.
Director: Don Siegel.

At last the screen presents us with the perfect crime which leaves the perpetrator undiscovered till he surrenders himself of his own volition. The Victorian setting adds to the ceriness of the atmosphere, presenting as it does the gloom of London streets and the drabness of antimacassar living-rooms.

An elderly Scotland Yard Superintendent is sacked being instrumental in sending an innocent man to the gallows for the murder of a certain woman whose nephew, the real killer, is, in his turn, found stabbed. Suspicion points to various persons such as a crazy artist, an M. P. and former political enemy of the dead man, the latter's chorus-girl flame and the dismissed superintendent himself. Which of them is the murderer? To reveal the killer's identity would be to destroy the admirable suspense of the story which is preserved right to the end.

Devoid of the sual romantic interest, presenting merely sidelights of this, the film is built up purely on the strength of an absorbing mystery and its clever treatment.

Sydney Greenstreet once again gives a finished performance as the dismissed superintendent, while Peter Lorre is, as usual, both amusing and irritating in the part of the artist.

For lovers of mystery melodrama.

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Eros

MY DARLING CLEMENTINE
Players: Henry Fonda, Linda Darnell, Victor Mature.
Director: John Ford.

A somewhat grim but well-mounted Western, the action of this film takes place in a small town with the mournful name of Tombstone. To it comes Wyatt Earp, as Marshal, to avenge the death of his murdered brother, a purpose he achieves after much gunplay and not a few killings.

A dance hall 'cutie' and a consumptive doctor whose better days are behind him, provide the subsidiary love interest.

Henry Fonda's ruggedness befits the role of the dour Marhal. Victor Mature and Linda Darnell are pleasing as the lovers.

A standardised but gripping Western providing punch and pep for lovers of wild and wooly action.

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New Empire

THE GARDEN OF ALLAH (Return)
Players: Charles Boyer, Marlene Dietrich, Joseph Schildkraut.

Almost a decade old technicolor talkie version of Robert Hichens's one-time sensational novel, used more as a starring vehicle for Dietrich and as a photographer's gallery of this once glamorous actress, than for anything else.

A Trappist monk, vowed to celibacy and eternal silence, escapes from the monastery and in the calm of the desert feels the call of the flesh beckon to him in the form of Domini, a beautiful woman in search of peace. Forgetting his vows, he marries her. When she discovers the truth, she sends him back to the monastery to work out for the salvation of his soul.

Boyer and Dietrich share some passionate love scenes but act, otherwise, with admirable restraint. Joseph Schildkraut steals the picture with his priceless cameo of Batouche, the guide. Basil Rathbone is good as Count Anteoni who embraces Islam for the peace of his restless soul.

For the romantic.

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Larry Parks as Jolson, the Mammy singer.

RETURN FILMS

Palace (Byculla): "Make Mine Music"—Walt Disney musical cartoon.

Aurora (Matunga): Fri-Sun.: "Road to Utopia"—Crosby and Hope. Mon.-Tues.: "Love-Letters—Joseph Cotten, Jennifer Jones. Wednes-Thurs: "Dr. Wassell"—Gary Cooper.

SUNDAY MORNING SHOWS

Regal—10 A.M.: "The Jolson Story"—Larry Parks, Evelyn Keyes.

Capitol—10-30 A.M.: 'Lloyds of London"—Tyrone Power.

Metro—10 A. M.: "The Valley of Decision."—Greer Garson, Gregory Peck.

Aurora—10-30 A.M.: "The Three Caballeros"—Disney Technicolour Carton.

Palace—10-30 A.M.: "They Got Me Covered"—Hope and Lamour.

NOTE

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Skelton and Marilyn Maxwell in "The Show-Off" (Metro.)

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Renewed Short Covering In N. Y. Cotton Market

PRICES ADVANCE 42 TO 35 POINTS

NEW YORK, Feb. 26, (UPA): Active trading and erratic prices featured today's session of the New York Cotton Exchange. Prices rallied sharply at the close of the session under the resumption of aggressive trade, mill and shipper buying plus renewed covering in March delivery. Prices advanced nearly. doi. 3.7b per bale from the extreme lows to close 35 to 47 points higher. There was prompt stoppage of delivery notices against March contract and the impression gained ground that the squeeze on shorts is likely to increase until the position, now estimated at approximately 100,000 bales, is finally liquidated. Technicians also regarded the market as technically improved by the sharp reaction late Tuesday. Replacement and speculative demand was noted after March dropped below the 34-cent level early in today's session.

SPOT SUPPLIES

Texas spot interests report increasing competition in spot supplies between domestic consumers and foreign mills who are anticipating a possible elimination of the export subsidy programme. France, Hungary and Czechoslovakia were in the market this week and Liverpool was the accredited buyer of 60,000 bales during the week. However, Liverpool trade reports here predicted a letdown in British demands for American cotton if the subsidy was erased altogether. It was estimated that British requirements will be sliced to about 500,000 bales as a result of the subsidy action. It was also noted that registrations under the export programme to Britain were already at 476,000 bales, suggesting that requirements by that outlet had nearly been filled.

BRITISH DEMAND

Other factors during the British demand include the relative cheapness of Russian and other foreign growths in anticipation of new crop Brazilian markings in the near future and a sharp reduction in textile production in the British Isles because of the enforced mill stoppages due to the power situation.

It was reported here that fair purchases of better Sind descriptions were made recently in India. The reports said that established shippers there were exporting against January to April quotas following the Government announcement of quotas on quantities and qualities.

Traders expressed the opinion that the swift recovery of the market today strengthens the conviction that the market is headed for higher ground.

NEW YORK COTTON.

New York, Feb. 26.

March	34.69+42
May	33.58+40
May highest	33.59+41
May lowest	32.88—30
July	31.56+35
October	26.87+47
December	27.97+37
January	27.72+37
Middling Spot	35.03+38

NEW ORLEANS COTTON.

March	34.56+43
May	33.54+33
July	31.63+33
October	26.77+32
December	27.93+38
Middling Spot	34.15+45

IMPERIAL BANK OF INDIA

Statement of the Affairs of the Imperial Bank of India on the 21st February :—

LIABILITIES.

	Rs.
CAPITAL :—	5,62,50,000
Reserve Fund	6,17,50,000
Fixed Deposit, Savings Bank, Current and other Accounts	262,09,28,000
Sundries	73,29,000
Total Rs.	274,62,57,000

ASSETS.

	Rs.
INVESTMENTS :—	
Government Securities	138,95,50,000
Other Authorised Investments	10,50,85,000
ADVANCES :—	
Loans	39,34,90,000
Cash Credits and Overdrafts	46,47,51,000
Bills Discounted and Purchased	6,42,45,000
Dead Stock	1,58,07,000
Sundries	1,00,07,000
CASH :—	
In hand and with the Reserve Bank of India	27,60,50,000
Balances with other Banks	2,72,72,000
Total Rs.	274,62,57,000

CALICUT MARKET.

CALICUT, Feb. 27.

Coiryarn Beypore Rs. 180/190, Quilandy Rs. 200/210, Fibre Garbled Rs. 175, Regarbled Rs. 165, Cocoanuts Raw Rs. 115, Dry Rs. 130, Cocoanut Oil Rs. 460, Copra Office Rs. 280, Dilpasand Rs. 310, Madrasnottam Rs. 325, Goodgooda Rs. 300, Pepper Wynaad Rs. 565, Country Rs. 550, Dry Ginger Chernal Rs. 310, Ernad Rs. 290, Coffee Robusta Rs. 90, Timber Pali Rs. 75, Junglewood Rs. 35, Vellapine Rs. 55, Benteak Rs. 45, Teak Rs. 115, Mango Planks Rs. 3/8, Teak Rs. 18, Rosewood Rs. 18.

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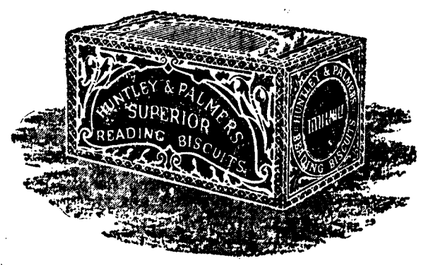

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General Realising After Early Rise In Share Bazar

COTTON MARKET FIRMS UP ON COVERING AND REPLACEMENT BUYING

Increased Offerings Of Ready Silver By Professionals

BOMBAY, Feb. 27.

There will be two trading sessions on the Bombay Stock Exchange on Friday. The morning session will be from 12 noon to 1 p.m. and the Special Budget Session will be from 6 to 8 p.m.

As usual the market was flooded with gups and gossips about Budget proposals and naturally there was increased speculative activity. The market opened firm and made an upward move under active buying but later on there was heavy selling pressure which not only erased earlier gains but quotations were marked down.

The recent steady rise was mainly due to oversold state of the market and now urgent short interest is covered up. Thus technical position is now again weakening and while much depends upon Budget proposals, investors are holding aloof.

Tata Steel Dfd shares opened steady at Rs. 2602 and advanced at Rs. 2630 under short covering and scattered buying but later downturned at Rs. 2580 on extensive realising and long liquidation influenced by unfounded reports of reduction in import duty on Steel. Ordinary shares opened at Rs. 473 and advanced at Rs. 478 but later eased off at Rs. 469, Bombay Dyeing shares opened at Rs. 2617 and sharply improved at Rs. 2640 but declined at Rs. 2600 on increased selling pressure. Kohinoors opened at Rs. 837 and after improving at Rs. 845 quietened at Rs. 834. Swadeshi Mill shares opened at Rs. 764 and declined at Rs. 756, Central Bank shares were steady at Rs. 133 while Scindia shares after advancing at Rs 38/4 steadied at Rs. 37/12.

Thereafter the market steadied with scattered buying. Tata Steel Dfds. improved at Rs. 2,592 while Ordinary shares rallied at Rs.. 471/8. Bombay Dyeings were done at Rs. 2,610 and Kohinoors were placed at Rs. 838, Swadeshi shares changed hands at Rs. 758, Associated Cements were quoted at Rs. 203. Central Banks were quoted at Rs. 132/8, Bombay Burmas were done at Rs. 566 and Scindias were placed at Rs. 37/2.

Towards the close there was scattered realising and Tata Steel Dfds. were done at Rs. 2,580 and Bombay Dyeings were placed at Rs. 2,597/8.

As a result of day's trading Tata Steel Dfds. declined Rs. 21/4, Ordinary Rs. 2/- Bombay Dyeing Rs. 5/- Kohinoor Rs. 5/- Swadeshi Rs. 7/- Simplex Rs. 3/- while Gokaks gained Rs. 2/- and Indore Rs. 3/12.

MILLS SHARES

Bombay Dyeing 2602/8 Kohinoor 832 Swadeshi 753 Nagpur 368 Simplex 375 New Great 468 Gokak 359 Indore 673/12 Century 1000 Colaba 295 Indian Bleaching 178 Swan 430 Finlay 364 Morarji Edward 702/8 Meyer 283/12 Apollo 5/2 I. U. Ordinary 18/8 I. U. Defd. 4/2 Madhusudan 510 Podar 367/8 Khatav 387/8.

STEEL SHARES

Tata Steel Ord. 471 Tata Steel Dfd. 2580 Second Pref. 168.

CEMENT

Associated Meger 203/12.

INDUSTRIES

Burma 562/8 Bellapur 285 Shivrajpur 47 Scindia 37/6 P. Construction 263 Tata Chemical 17/12 Tata Oil 101/8 Indian Iron 44/4 Bengal Steel 34/10.

ELECTRIC SHARES.

Tram Ordinary 116/8 Tata Hydro 185/8 Andhra 1625 Tata Power 1745.

MILLS (CASH).

Elphinstone 101 Phoenix 1355 India Manufacturing 4300 Koorla 300 Dawn 1600 David 180 New City 285 Minerva 300 Bradbury 700 Bharuchs (Defd.) 9 Bharat 61/4 Mysore 330 Madhavji 20 Model 261/4 Laxmi 1870 Vishnu 742/8 Western 4300 Standard 612/8 Sholapur 7400 Sassoon Cotton 24/8 Hindustan 4300 Tata 119 Ahmedabad Advance 530 Sassoon Silk 101 New Union 26/14 Madhusudan Ba 107 Shrinivas 440 Raja Bahadur 116/4 Berar 375 Victoria 425.

ELECTRIC SHARES. (CASH)

Ahmedabad 172/8 (New) 128/12 Surat (Old) 243/12 New Pre. 211/4 Karachi 240 Broach 13 Ajmer 15/2 Amalgamated 20/4 Jalgaon 14/12 Nagpur 58 Poona 260 Bombay Suburban 202/8 Bombay Suburban (New) 164/10.

BANK SHARES.

Reserve 133 Imperial 2475 P. P. 625 Central 133 India 254/8 Union 14 Baroda 180 Habib 200 A. B. C. 56 Dena Bank 70/8 United Commercial 96 Jaipur 75 Bikaner 31 Hindustan Co-op. 58 National Savings (fully paid) 82 Mysore 505 Exchange (Ord.) 58 Eastern 112 Bombay Provincial 85.

INSURANCE

Oriental 6300 Empire 975 New India 97 Jupiter 36/8 Vulcan 16/12 Indian Mercantile 63/8 Universal Fire 20/8 Vasant 26/4 British India General 26/8 Industrial Prudential 61/12 Neptune 13/6 New Great 43 All-India General 40/8.

RAILWAYS

C. P. 107 Mymensing 113 Guaranteed 113 Sara Sirajganj 116 Pachora 101 Mandra Bhon 116

MISCELLANEOUS.

Alcock 590 Steamer 617/8 Burma New 205 Burma Petrol 4/4 Mackenzie 185 Port Canning 90 Kemp 575 Zandu Pharmacy 202/8 Indian Radio (Ord.) 377/4 Indian Radio B. 375 Indian Radio 362/8 Indian Investment Trust 121/8 Wimco 655 Dharamsey Chemical 43/8 Mukund Iron 14/12 Dena Trust 25 Alembic 355 Supreme India 228 Jamwire 141/8 Bombay Uganda 85 Bombay Motor Cycle 43/8 India Cement 42 Walchand Nagar Industries 390 United Motor 70 A. C. C. New 87/8.

PREFERENCE SHARES.

Tata Steel (1st Pref.) 235 Tram 53 Andhra Valley 1370 Tata Power 1430 Hydro 146/8 Bombay Steamer 348/12 Nagpur 720 Swadeshi 150 Vishnu 805 Laxmi 306/4 New Great 368/12 Poddar 116 Shrinivas 101 Elphinstone 131/4 Bradbury 553/12 Surat Elec 211/4 Premier Construction (1st Pref.) 153/12 (2nd Pref.) 122/8 Amalgamated 156/4 Habib 72 Tata Chemical 122/8 Walchand Nagar Industries 250 Jupiter 19/12 Supreme 107.

OUTSIDE SHARES.

Indian Copper 4/2 B. I. C. 11/4 Burma Corporation 5/2 New Victoria 7/8 New Victori Preference 8/8 Raja 40 Phalton 140 Gold Mohar 405 New Kaiser Hind 470 Saijan 375 Osmanshahi 385 Ajam Shahi 395 Air Services 20 Birla Motors 9/5 Marshall 9/8 Air India Premium 175.

GOVERNMENT SECURITIES

Bombay, Feb. 27.

2-3/4 p c 1948/52	.....	100/11
2-3/4 p c 1960	.....	101/1
2-1/2 p c 1961	.....	99/8
3 p c 1949/52	.....	100/13
3 p c 1951/54	.....	102/3
3 p c 1953/55	.....	102/6
3 p c 1957 V. L.	.....	102/7
3 p c 1959/61	.....	102/4
4 p c B. P. T.	.....	112/0
5 p c M. Deb.	.....	121/8
6 p c B. P. T.	.....	125/0
3 p c 1963/65	.....	102/3
3 p c 1966/68	.....	102/3
3 p c 1970/75	.....	102/4
3 p c 1986 New	.....	101/15
3-1/2 p c 1947/50	....	101/11
4 p c 1960/70	.....	112/12
4 p c 1983 Kar. Muni	....	114/0
4-1/2 p c 1955/60	.....	117/0
4 p c M. Debenture	.....	113/0
6 p c M. Debenture	....	125/0

BOMBAY COTTON

BOMBAY, Feb. 27.

In view of expectations of reduction in the export duty on raw cotton, it is decided to keep the market open on Friday upto 7 p.m.

The market confidently expects reduction in export duty on raw cotton in the Budget proposals. This duty was imposed when Indian cotton was sold at handsome profits in foreign markets and now the situation has changed.

The market opened to-day at Rs. 445/8 for May delivery and advanced at Rs. 446/8 on moderate buying and covering. Thereafter there was a lull in the demand and the market steadied at Rs. 446/4.

Thereafter the market was quiet and May was quoted at Rs. 445/12. Trading was narrow.

During the last hour there was renewed buying and May advanced at Rs. 447/12. The market finally closed at 4.30 p.m. as under:

I.C.C. March	433	10	0
I.C.C. May	447	6	0
I.C.C. July	459	12	0
I.C.C. Sept.	467	12	

INDIAN COTTON PARITY.

Indian Cotton, May Contract is 1641 cent points below New York May at Exchange rate 331.

HIGH & LOW COTTON PRICES.

BOMBAY, Feb. 26.

	Hi.	Lo.	Closing.
March	432-3/4	430 1/4	432-3/4
May	446-1/4	443-1/2	446
July	458-1/8	458	458-1/8
Sept.	466-1/8	464	466-1/8
Karachi 4F March	46-5-3	46-1-0	46-1-6

GOLD & SILVER

BOMBAY, Feb. 27.

The Bullion market was very steady on expectation of increase in import duty. It is believed that silver duty would be increased by Rs. 9 and gold by Rs. 12/8.

In the local market Fagan silver opened at Rs. 150/8 and advanced at Rs. 151/4 while ready silver was quoted at a premium of Rs. 8 at Rs. 158/4. Fagan gold opened at Rs. 94/8 and improved at Rs. 95/4. Ready gold was quoted at Rs. 104/4 while sovereigns were placed at Rs. 67/4.

The market steadied at this level with restricted business. Fagan silver was done at Rs. 151/4 while Fagan gold business was reported at Rs. 95.

Later on there was heavy selling in ready silver by professionals and big brokers so ready was quoted at a premium of Rs. 6/- Ready Gold was also quiet and quotations were as under:—

Ready Silver	158	0	0
Fagan Delivery	151	6	0
Ready Gold	103	8	0
Fagan Delivery	94	12	0

CHICAGO WHEAT.

CHICAGO, Feb. 26.

March 2.38 asked.
May 2.27-1/2 to 2.27-3/4.
July 2.06-1/4 to 2.06-3/4.
September 2.00-1/2 to 2.00-3/4.

RECORD OF ACTUAL TRANSACTIONS IN SHARES.

BOMBAY, Feb. 27.

MILLS.

Apollo 5/1 5/3 5/2 5/3 5/2
Bharat 62 61 62 61/4
B. Dyeing 2615 10 42/8 5 10 2590 2607/8 2585 2602/8
Bradbury 700
C. India 371 75 66 69 68
C. India (Pref.) 720
Century 1100
E. Textiles 715 10 15 700 2/8
Elphinstone (Ord.) 101
Finlay 370 67 71 69 71 66 68 64 66 64
Gokak 370 58 65 56 60 58 59
I. U. (Defd.) 4/3/6 4/3 4/4 4/2
I. U. (Ord.) 18/14 18/15 18/7 18/13 18/12 18/6 18/8
Indore 680 75 82/8 73/12 83/12 70 72/8 70 73/12
Khatau 387/8
Kohinoor 840 35 37 35 42 41 46 43 46 35 39 31 37 30 32
Laxmi Cotton 1870
Meyer 283/12 81/4 85 82/8 83/12
Morarji 770
New City 285
New Great 462 64 60 61 56 60 58
Podar 367/8 72/8 65 67/8
Simplex 378 77 86 75 77 74 75
Swadeshi 762 65 64 70 58 59 53
Swan 435 30
Tata Mills 120 21 18 19
Vishnu 730 42/8

BANKS.

Baroda 178/8 80 78 80
Central 133 33/8 33 33/8 32/8 33
Habib 200 1 199 200
Imperial (Old) 2475 67/8 75
Imperial (New) 622/8 25
India 253 52/8 54/8
Reserve 132/8 33/8 33
Union 13/14 14 13/12 14
U. Commercial 97, 96 96/8 96

ELECTRIC.

Ahmedabad 172/8
B. Tram (Ord.) 117/12 16/8
B. Tram (Pref.) 53
Tata Hydro 185 86 85/8
Tata Power (Pref.) 1730 50 40 45
Tata Power (Pref.) 1430

INSURANCE.

New India 97 96/8 97/8 97
Oriental 6225 6200
Vulcan 17 17/8 16/12

STEAMER.

B. Steam 615 20 17/8
Scindhia 37/8 37/14 37/8 38/4 37/6 37/7 37/6

STEEL.

B. Steel 34/10 35 34/8 34/12 34/10
I. Iron 44/6 44/7 44/4 44/6 44/4
Tata (Defd.) 2610 2592/8 2622/8 17/8 30 2595 2607/8 5 7/8 2575 92/8 87/8 92/8 75 82/8 80
Tata (Ord.) 472/8 79 71/8 73/8 69 73 71 73 70 71 70/8 71
Tata (2nd Pref.) 167 68/8 68 68/8 68

MISCELLANEOUS.

Alcock 580 90 82/8 90
A. C. C. (Old) 202 5/8 3 3/12 3/8 4 3/12
A. C. C. (New) 86 89 87/8
Belapur 289 86 87 84 85 82 85 83 85
B. B. (Old) 567/8 65 68/12 63/12 75 65 66/4 62/8 65 62/8
B. B. (New) 202/8 7/8 5 5/12 5
B. B. Petrol 4/4 4/4/6 4/4
I. Bleaching 178
I. I. Trust 121/8
Port Canning 90
P. Construction 272 70 72 70 71 65 67 63
Shivrajpur 47 47/8 47
Tata Chemical 17/12 17/8 17/14 17/8 17/14 17/12
Tata Oil 103 1/8 2 100/8 1/8
Wimco 655
Ahmedabad Elec. (New) 126/4 28/12
Madhusudan Mill B. 107

PRODUCE MARKET

BOMBAY, Feb. 27.

The produce market was very steady today with increased speculative activity in castorseeds. May delivery opened today at Rs. 124/12 and advanced at Rs. 125/8. At this level there was scattered realising and the market reached at Rs. 125/4 and again declined Rs. 124/6 Ready castorseeds were quoted at Rs. 143/- Linseed was steady while Tilseeds were placed at Rs. 252. Quotations were as under:—

GROUNDNUTS—			
Khandesh Ready	Unquoted		
Coromandal Ready	Unquoted		
Bold	Unquoted		
LINSEEDS—			
Ready	29	8	0
February/March	26	7	0
April/May	26	9	0
CASTORSEEDS—			
Navlakhi Ready	27	13	0
February/March Navlakhi	27	0	0
Goa Ready	27	13	0
Bombay Ready	143	0	0
May Delivery	124	8	0
GROUNDNUTS OIL—			
Bombay Mills	12	14	0
Linseed Oil	20	8	0
Castorseed Oil	18	12	0

INDIAN STOCK EXCHANGE.

BOMBAY, Feb. 27.

Tata Ordinary 471; Tata Deferred 2580; Indian Iron 44/4; Steel Corpn. of Bengal 34/10; Bombay Dyeing 2602/8; Central India 368/4; Gokak 358/12; Kohinoor 831/14; Simplex 376; Swadeshi 758/2; Tata Power 1/35; Associated Cement 208/12; Belapur 285; Bombay Burma (Old) 562/8; Scindia 37/6; Central Bank 133/2; New India 96/14; Tata 2nd Pref. 166/2.

QUESTION REGARDING NEW YORK SILVER SHIPMENT

LONDON, Feb. 26, (U.P.A.): Conservative Member of Parliament, Mr. Charles Taylor from Eastbourne, today tabled a question in the House of Commons to be answered by the Chancellor of the Exchequer on March 4th, "whether the Chancellor's attention has been drawn to the fact that 1,500,000 ounces of silver are being brought from the United States in the 'Queen Elizabeth' and if he will state the reason for this shipment in view of his action in withdrawing silver coinage so that silver may be sent to the U. S. in settlement of the war-time loan of silver by the U. S."

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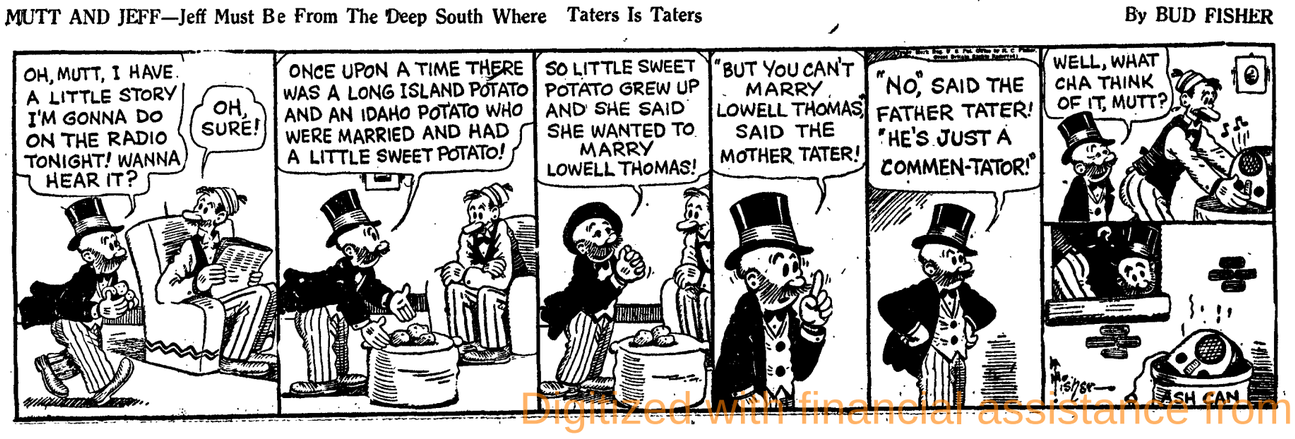
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Name:—JOSEF LEITERSDORF.
Present Nationality:—Austrian.
Full Address:—C/o. Dr. H. Soltau, Balmoral Villa, Westfield Estate, Warden Road, Bombay. 2309

THE APOLLO MILLS, LIMITED. NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the TWENTY-SEVENTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Shareholders of the abovenamed Company will be held at the Registered Office of the Company at DeLisle Road, Chinchpokli, Bombay, on THURSDAY, the 20th March, 1947, at 4 p.m. (S.T.) to transact the following business:—

(1) To receive and adopt the Directors' Report and the Audited Statements of account upto 31st December 1946.
(2) To declare a dividend.
(3) To elect a Director in place of The Director who retires pursuant to Article 106 of the Articles of Association of the Company, but being eligible, offers himself for re-election.
(4) To elect two Directors in place of those who retire by rotation, but being eligible, offer themselves for re-election.
(5) To confirm the donations.
(6) To appoint Auditors and fix their remuneration.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from FRIDAY, the 28th February, 1947 to THURSDAY, the 20th March, 1947, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
For and on behalf of the Agents,
THE RAJPUTANA TEXTILES (Agencies) LIMITED,
GOKALCHAND DWARKADAS MORARKA,
Managing Director.

Bombay, 12th February, 1947.

NOTE:—The dividend, if sanctioned at the General Meeting will be payable from Monday, the 31st March 1947 to the Shareholders whose names stand on the Register of the Company on Thursday, the 27th February 1947 and Dividend Warrants will be duly posted to the registered addresses of such shareholders.

To

All the shareholders of the Apollo Mills Ltd., and to the following shareholders in particular:

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NAME: ALBERT RAFF
Present Nationality: STATELESS (FORMER GERMAN).
Full Address: "Horizon View", Backbay Reclamation, Bombay. (2307)

SALE.

SOME OLD ARTICLES of School Furniture such as Benches, Chairs, Tables, Water Casks, Clocks, etc., belonging to the Municipal Schools Committee are to be disposed off by inviting offers. The intending purchasers are requested to approach this Office for further particulars. A written offer in a prescribed form (to be obtained from the Supervisor of Handicrafts and Stores of this office) should be personally handed over in a sealed cover to the Superintendent of Accounts in this office on Thursday, the 6th March 1947, between 12 noon and 2 p.m. (B. T.).

K. KHANDVALA,
Secretary, Schools Committee.
Schools Committee's Office,
Gilder Tank Bldg. Grant Rd.
Bombay, 26th February, 1947. (2304)

PUBLIC NOTICES.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION, BENGAL.

APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED from female candidates of all communities to fill a temporary post of Medical Inspectress of School Hygiene under the Health and Local Self-Government (Public Health) Department, Government of Bengal. Pay—Rs. 260-420. Age—between 30 and 40 years on 1st March 1947. Qualifications—A candidate must possess a University degree in Medicine and diploma in Public Health. Preference will be given to candidates having experience in Public Health work. Full details and application forms may be obtained from the office of the Public Service Commission, Bengal, Anderson House, Alipore, Calcutta, personally or on sending an addressed envelope with a nine pies stamp affixed. They will not be supplied on receipt of mere stamps. Candidates who are unable to obtain copies of the prescribed form may apply on any printed or typed form, a sample of which was published in the Calcutta Gazette of the 21st November 1946 provided that the form used is of the size, and shows exactly the wording and spacing, of the sample form, that the words of the sample are not reproduced in hand writing and that the blanks are filled in the candidates' own hand writing. Letters must not be addressed to the Secretary by name. Last date for receipt of applications on prescribed form, together with a treasury receipt for Rs. 5, 15th March, 1947. (2308)

TENDER NOTICE.

THE DIVISIONAL ENGINEER, G.I.P. Railway, Loco Offices Building, Parel, invites tenders upto 3 P. M. on 10-3-1947 for "Concreting pavement in the Brass Shop of the Parel Workshops." The tender form, schedule and conditions of contract for this work can be obtained from this office on payment of Rs. 2|- per set. Drawings for the work will be supplied on an additional payment of Rs. 3|- per set. These sums will not be refunded. (2306)

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

SEALED TENDERS are invited for the appointment of clearing and forwarding agents at the main ports for the reception and clearing of fertilisers to be imported by the Government of India, Department of Agriculture, during the period 1st July, 1947 to 30th June, 1948.

2. Charges on account of the following items should be clearly stated:—

(i) Landing and Clearing charges per ton;
(ii) Storage, stocking and Loading F. O. R. Charges per ton
(iii) Reconditioning and Repacking charges, where necessary per ton, and
(iv) Remuneration for services rendered.

3. Quantities to be handled spread over the period indicated above may amount to 2,50,000 tons Tenderers will be required to produce evidence that they have at their command sufficient storage accommodation to handle large consignments which may arrive in full ship-loads and may have to be stored for long periods.

4. Tenderers must produce satisfactory evidence showing that they have handled fertilisers or similar other products on a large scale in the past.

5. Other things being equal, preference will be given to those who have actual experience of clearing and forwarding fertilisers and have organisation for retail distribution of these chemicals.

6. Tenders must reach the undersigned in sealed covers by the 15th April 1947, at the latest.

7. Each tender must be accompanied by a treasury chalan for Rs. 10,000|- as earnest money. This amount will be refunded to the unsuccessful tenderers. In addition each Tenderer must furnish a satisfactory reference from a Scheduled bank indicating an adequate financial standing for the purposes of carrying out the terms of the contract offered to him.

8. The undersigned does not bind himself to accept the lowest or any tender and further does not bind himself to give reasons for such non-acceptance.

S. K. GHOSE
Assistant Secretary to the Government of India,
Department of Agriculture,
NEW DELHI (2262)

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REVISION IN RATES AND FARES

With EFFECT from 1st March, 1947, Passenger Fares are being revised. Until fresh stocks of tickets become available, the existing tickets will be issued with corrections made in ink in the chargeable fares.

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S. G. PICK,
Chief Traffic Manager,
B. B. & C. I. Railway,
Bombay.
W. F. HERVEY,
Chief Traffic Manager,
G.I.P. Railway, Bombay. (2300)

PUBLIC NOTICES

THE GUJRAT COSMOPOLITAN CLUB, LIMITED.

(In Voluntary Liquidation)
BOMBAY.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF SPECIAL RESOLUTION

I, RAYA R. R., LL.B., Sole Liquidator for The Gujrat Cosmopolitan Club, Ltd., beg to announce that the members of the above Club at an Extraordinary General Meeting, held on 20th instant unanimously passed the following special resolution for the members voluntary winding of the same.

SPECIAL RESOLUTION.

"Resolved that on account of the unsatisfactory state of affairs of the Club because of the riot in the City and the consequent irregularity on part of the members, the Club be hereby wound up voluntarily and Mr. Raya, R.R., LL.B. be appointed the Sole Liquidator to exercise all the powers under the Indian Companies Act in general and regarding the disposal of the Club's effects in the manner he thinks fit, in particular."

RAYA R.R. LL.B.,
Liquidator,
Gujrat Cosmopolitan Club, Ltd.
(In Voluntary Liquidation)
Bombay, dated 25th Feb., 1947. (2298)

NOTICE

At a Board Meeting of the Century Spg. and Mfg. Co. Ltd. held on the 27th February 1947 it was decided to recommend a final dividend of Rs. 15 per share free of Income-tax, making Rs. 25 per share for the year 1946.

The Board also resolved to issue as fully paid up shares to the Shareholders in the proportion of 3 shares to every 11 shares by capitalising the necessary amount out of the Reserves. For this purpose, the Agents were authorised to take the necessary steps required for the amendment of the Articles of Association of the Company and for an application to the Examiner of Capital Issues. 2311

THE GUJRAT COSMOPOLITAN CLUB, LIMITED.

(In Voluntary Liquidation).
Kabibai Trust Bldg.,
Musjid Bunder Road, Bombay.

NOTICE.

THE MEMBERS of the above Club are hereby informed that the FINAL GENERAL MEETING (Liquidators' Meeting) of the above club will be held on 30/3/47 at 5-0 P.M. sharp at the Registered Office of the Club when the undersigned will place before the members, the liquidation account and the manner in which the Club-effect have been wound up.

RAYA R.R., LL.B.,
Liquidator,
Gujrat Cosmopolitan Club, Ltd.,
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Bombay, dated 25th Feb. 47. (2298)

SECRETARY, PUNJAB & N.W.F.P. JOINT PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION, LAHORE.

INVITES APPLICATIONS from Brftish subject (Indian and Anglo-Indian—having domicile in the Punjab and Delhi Province preferred) and subjects of notified Punjab states, not later than the 24th March, 1947, on prescribed form (obtainable free) accompanied by a Treasury or M.O. receipt for Rs. 5/- (no fee from war service candidates) for a temporary (for one year in the first instance) post of WATER RESOURCES OFFICER in the Irrigation Branch of the Punjab P.W.D. Pay: Rs. 625-40-1025/50-1275 (Initial pay according to age and experience). Age: Below 40 years on 24-3-47. Qualifications: 1st Class Masters degree in Mathematics, with qualifications and experience of a Statistician—a Ph.D. degree preferred. War Service candidate serving outside India may, if forms not available, apply on plain paper and also submit a certificate that service rendered by them has been recognized as war service. Government servants eligible. Full particulars on applications. (2302)

SECRETARY, PUNJAB & N.W.F.P. JOINT PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION, LAHORE.

INVITES APPLICATIONS from British subject domiciled in India and subjects of notified Punjab States—Punjabis and Zamindars preferred—on or before the 18th April, 1947, on prescribed form (obtainable free) accompanied by Treasury or M.O. receipt for Rs 5/- (no fee from War Service candidates) for 12 temporary (for 2 years during which they will be given training) posts of APPRENTICE ENGINEER in the Punjab P.W.D. Electricity Branch. Age: Not more than 35 years on 18-4-47 Qualifications: A Degree, Diploma or a Certificate mentioned in Appendix "A" to the Punjab Services of Engineers. Electricity Branch (Recruitment) Rules, 1939, including B.Sc. Engg. Degree of Muslim University, Aligarh or Corporate Membership of either the institution of Mechanical Engineering or the Institution of Electrical Engineering London or a pass in parts A & B of the Associate Membership Examination of the Institute of Engineers (India) or a pass in graduateship examination of the Institution of Electrical Engineers, London. Pay: Rs. 150-15-270. Government servants eligible. War Service candidates should submit a certificate that service rendered by them is recognized as such and if serving outside India may, if forms not available, submit application on plain paper. Further particulars on application. (2302A)

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GOVERNMENT OF INDIA.
Office of the A.D.L. H.D. Service S. Q. B. Area, Bombay.

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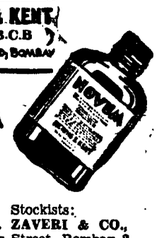

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